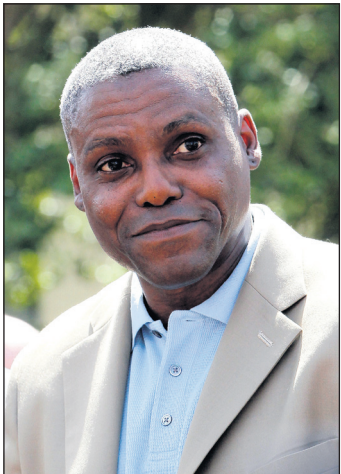


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Runoff in Peru



Ollanta Humala.

By SIMON ROMERO

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CARACAS, Venezuela — Peruvian electoral officials said Monday that Ollanta Humala, a nationalist former military officer, will compete in a presidential runoff election in June against Keiko Fujimori, the daughter of a former president jailed for human rights violations.

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Protesters demonstrate against Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi outside the Tibesti hotel in Benghazi, Libya on April 11, 2011. African Union negotiators arrived at the rebel capitol on Monday, seeking to broker a cease-fire a day after forces loyal to Gadhafi appeared to falter in their assault against rebels in the battle for the strategic city of Ajdabiya.

Libyan rebels reject cease-fire plan

By KAREEM FAHIM

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BENGHAZI, Libya — Rebel leaders here rejected a plan presented Monday by the African Union for a cease-fire and an end to the eight-week-old conflict in Libya, saying it did not meet their basic demand that Moammar Gadhafi, his sons and his inner circle leave immediately.

The rebels also faulted the proposal for calling for reform within the current Libyan political system.

"We will not negotiate with the blood of our martyrs," said the rebel national council chairman, Mustafa Abdul Jalil. "We will die with them or be victorious."

The visit by the African Union negotiators came hours after the delegation had left meetings in Tripoli with Gadhafi, who said he accepted what they called a "road map" for a political settlement involving a cease-fire and the suspension of NATO airstrikes.

But as the delegates arrived in Benghazi, they faced a chilly reception, as hundreds of protesters implored the rebel

leadership not to accept anything less than the departure of Gadhafi and his family.

As the shiny sedans carrying the African delegates pulled up to the Tibesti Hotel, one protester, Ghalia Sanfez, screamed: "How much blood does he need to let go? He killed enough. He killed so many young people."

After the rebels announced they were rejecting the plan, a Western diplomat, pointing out the size of the protests, said he did not expect the colonel's opponents to waver in their demands.

Despite their rejection of the delegates' proposal, the reb-

els seemed to have a victory of sorts from the day's events. Visited, for the first time, by the presidents of several African nations, and joined by The United States and British envoys as they announced their demands, the rebel leaders reveled in the fleeting spotlight that shone on their de facto capital, as they reminded the world of their cause.

Even so, the proposal's failure means that for the moment, there is no viable political solution on the horizon, as it becomes less likely that either side will prevail on the battlefield. □



Pakistan pushes CIA out



CIA Director Leon Panetta speaks during a hearing regarding a covert CIA-led team collecting intelligence and conducting surveillance on militant groups deep inside the country.

(The New York Times)

By JANE PERLEZ

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ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Pakistan has demanded that the United States steeply reduce the number of CIA operatives and Special Operations forces working in Pakistan, and that it put on hold CIA drone strikes aimed at militants in northwest Pakistan. The request was a sign of the near collapse of cooperation between the two testy allies.

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Keiko Fujimori (L), the daughter of former president Alberto Fujimori (R), who is serving a 25-year prison sentence for violation of human rights during his decade-long regime.

Neither candidate managed to win the necessary majority in Sunday's first round of voting. With about 85.4 percent of votes counted, Humala, who led a thwarted army rebellion in 2000, had 31.2 percent compared with 23.2 percent for Fujimori, who ran on a platform advocating a pardon for her ailing father, Alberto K. Fujimori, 72.

The results reflected festering resentment in Peru over the inability to more effectively close the country's yawning income gaps after years of rapid economic growth. Humala, 48, surged ahead of other candidates in recent weeks after advocating a more equitable distribution of proceeds from Peru's commodities exports.

With the help of Brazilian campaign strategists, Humala also made his way into the second round after refurbishing his image into that of a moderate family man. It was a contrast to his image as a militaristic leftist in the mold of Hugo Chavez. □

Most prominent son says,

Talk of Gaddafi leaving "ridiculous"

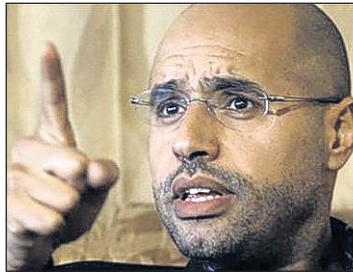
PARIS — Muammar Gaddafi's most prominent son, Saif al-Islam Gaddafi, said in an interview broadcast on Monday that it was "ridiculous" to imagine the Libyan leader leaving and that allied air strikes were counter-productive. The interview took place at the weekend in Tripoli. On Monday, rebels in the city of Misrata scorned reports Gaddafi had agreed to a ceasefire, after his forces fired rockets there and fought intense house-to-house battles.

"We want to bring forward a new elite of youths to govern the country and manage local affairs. We want new blood, that's what we want for Libya's future. But to talk of (Gaddafi) leaving, that's truly ridiculous," Saif told French news channel BFM TV.

"If the West wants democracy, a new constitution, elections, well we agree. We agree on this point but the West must help us to provide a propitious climate. But all these bombings, this support given to rebel groups, all that is counter-productive."

An African bid to halt the civil war collapsed on Monday and rebels said there could be no deal unless Gaddafi is toppled. Western leaders also rejected any deal that did not include his removal, and NATO refused to suspend its bombing of his forces unless there is a credible ceasefire.

London-educated Saif, who



Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi's most prominent son, Saif al-Islam

has tended to be Libya's most Western-friendly face, said that even if Gaddafi did

leave, the unrest would not end in Libya, where scores have died in fighting between Gaddafi's troops and a ragtag rebel army.

"(Gaddafi's) departure would not change anything because the Libyan people would not allow these groups of terrorists to run Libya," he said. "The question is: how to get rid of these armed militias? Because these militias cannot govern." □

In Oklahoma

Tribes cite century-old law to claim reservoir



Taiawagi Helton, an expert on Indian law and water law at the University of Oklahoma College of Law and a member of the Cherokee tribe, in Tuskahoma, Okla. A struggle has engaged in southern Oklahoma between several towns wanting to tap Sardis Lake for fresh water and several native American tribes trying to gain rights to water through an old court ruling.

By FELICITY BARRINGER
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TUSKAHOMA, Okla. — Sardis Lake, a reservoir in southeastern Oklahoma young enough to have drowned saplings still poking through its surface and old enough to have become a renowned bass fishery, is not wanting for suitors.

Oklahoma City and fast-growing suburbs like Edmond want to see the water flowing through their shower heads someday. So do the water masters of Tarrant County, Texas, 200 miles to the south, who are looking to supply new subdivisions around Fort Worth and are suing for access. Now another rival has arrived: the Choctaw and Chickasaw tribes, which were exiled to southeastern Oklahoma 175

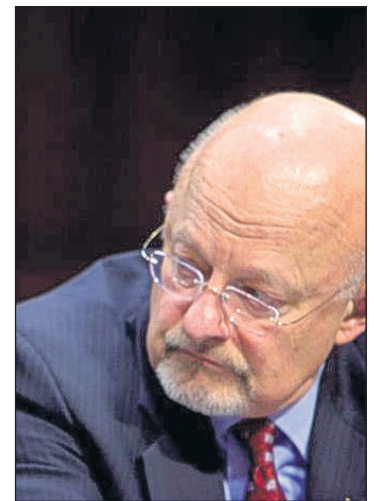
years ago and given land in the area.

Gregory Pyle, chief of the Choctaw nation, said his tribe would sue to win some of the water if necessary. "All this water was controlled originally by the Indian tribes in this area," Pyle said. "It is all Choctaw and Chickasaw water."

The tribes want the state to recognize them as joint owners. The issue has been increasingly on the minds of city planners in fast-developing cities as they contemplate the prospect of tapping other existing water sources.

By midcentury, water is expected to loom as large as oil in the economic and political life of the country, as parties race to lock up supplies. □

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National Intelligence Director James Clapper speaks during a hearing regarding a covert CIA-led team collecting intelligence and conducting surveillance on militant groups deep inside the country.

(The New York Times)

Pakistani and U.S. officials said in interviews that the demand that the United States scale back its presence was the immediate fallout from the arrest in Pakistan of Raymond A. Davis, a CIA security officer who killed two men in January during what he said was an attempt to rob him.

In all, about 335 U.S. personnel — CIA officers and contractors and Special Operations forces — were being asked to leave the country, said a Pakistani official closely involved in the decision.

It was not clear how many CIA personnel that would leave behind; the total number in Pakistan has not been disclosed. But the cuts demanded by the Pakistanis amounted to 25 to 40 percent of U.S. Special Operations forces in the country, the officials said. The number also included the removal of all the U.S. contractors used by the CIA in Pakistan.

The demands appeared severe enough to badly hamper U.S. efforts — either through drone strikes or Pakistani military training — to combat militants who use Pakistan as a base to fight U.S. forces in Afghanistan and plot terrorist attacks abroad.

The reductions were personally demanded by the chief of the Pakistani army, Gen. Ashfaq Parvez Kayani, said Pakistani and U.S. officials, who requested anonymity while discussing the delicate issue. □

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The untold story of Gabby Giffords



Rep. Gabby Giffords.

NEW YORK – Three months after the Arizona attack that left Rep. Gabrielle Giffords in a coma, she is walking, talking, and wants to attend her husband's space shuttle launch. But will she ever fully recover? In this week's Newsweek, Peter J. Boyer has the untold story of the congresswoman's struggle.

Reports on Rep. Gabrielle Giffords' recovery have been so positive that there's even been talk of her running for Senate. But in conversations with Giffords' staff, doctors, and husband Mark Kelly, Peter J. Boyer has learned that for all the progress Giffords has made, she still has a long way to go.

Since Giffords was shot Jan. 8, at an event at a Tucson mall, her family and staff, colleagues and friends have been eager to deliver stunning details about her recovery. The first big news was delivered by the president himself at a memorial service: "Gabby

opened her eyes for the first time." Dr. Peter Rhee, a trauma surgeon in Tucson, said she had a "101 percent chance of surviving" before transferring Giffords to Memorial Hermann hospital in Houston, where her new neurosurgeon said she "looked spectacular." Giffords' friends and staffers, optimistic about her recovery, have contributed to the perception that she'll soon be completely better. Daniel Hernandez, the intern who rushed to her side during the shooting, said he'd had several "lengthy" conversations with his boss, and Rep. Shelley Berkley of Nevada said Giffords is "running a campaign from the hospital."

Dr. Gerard Francisco, the physiatrist in charge of Giffords' medical team, says he is quite pleased with his patient's progress, although he acknowledges that outsiders, especially the media, might be misinterpreting what that might be in this situation. □

Drivers start to cut back on gas as prices rise

By CHRIS KAHN
Associated Press

NEW YORK – With the price of gas above \$3.50 a gallon in all but one state, there are signs that Americans are cutting back on driving, reversing a steady increase in demand for fuel as the economy improves. For five consecutive weeks, Americans have bought less gas than they did a year earlier, according to MasterCard Spending Pulse, which tracks the volume of gas sold at 140,000 service stations nationwide.

For the week of April 1, drivers bought about 2.4 million fewer gallons than they did one year earlier, or 3.6 percent. That was the biggest decline since December, when people were staying home because of snowstorms.

Before the decline, demand was increasing for two months. Some ana-



An employee at a Sunoco gas station adjusts the prices for gas on a store sign in Batavia, N.Y. With the price of gas above \$3.50 a gallon in all but one state, there are signs that Americans are cutting back on driving, reversing a steady increase in demand for fuel as the economy improves.

lysts had expected the trend to continue because the economic recovery is picking up, adding

216,000 jobs in March.

"More people are going to work," said John Gamel, director of gasoline research for MasterCard. "That means more people are driving and they should be buying more gas."

Instead, about 70 percent of the nation's major gas-station chains say sales have fallen, according to a March survey by the Oil Price Information Service. More than half reported a drop of 3 percent or more the sharpest since the summer of 2008, when gas soared past \$4 a gallon.

This year, gas prices have shot up as unrest in North Africa and the Middle East rattled energy markets and increased global demand for crude oil squeezed supplies. A gallon of unleaded regular costs \$3.77 on average, and only Wyoming has an average lower than \$3.50. Gas is already 41 cents more expensive than at this point in 2008, when it peaked at \$4.11 in July. □

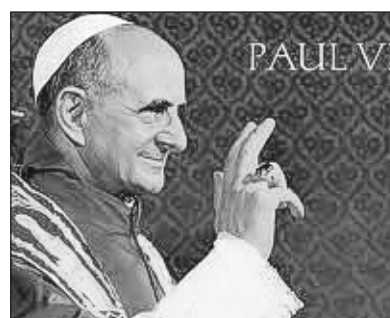
After 46 years

Papal jewelry up for auction in NC

By TOM BREEN
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. – In the unlikely location of a North Carolina jewelry store near the beach, a lavishly jeweled cross and a ring once owned by Pope Paul VI sit under lock and key, awaiting transfer to an even less familiar venue for symbols of Roman Catholic authority: an eBay auction.

The items have turned up



Pope Paul VI

at a Wilmington store owned by a Southern Baptist with a flair for self-promotion. It's the latest stop on a strange journey involving luminaries ranging from UN

Secretary General U Thant to Evel Knievel, and which began with Paul VI's novel decision to allow some of his jewelry to be sold to raise money for charity.

One of the items is a pectoral cross, given to clergy who attain the rank of bishop or higher to signify their office. The pope's donation was a testament to his willingness to engage the contemporary world by de-emphasizing the importance of such regalia. □

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'Bourbon Women':

Whiskey isn't just a man's drink



Bourbon Women members, from left, Jamie Estes, Peggy Noe Stevens and Cynthia Norp enjoy a conversation over drinks of Kentucky bourbon in Louisville, Ky. The group is made up of women who share an affinity for Kentucky's signature whiskey.

By **BRUCE SCHREINER**
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Marketing executive Peggy Noe Stevens sticks to basics when

savoring Kentucky bourbon no splash of water, just ice, stacked.

For the uninitiated, that's one ice cube at a time, followed by equal shots of bourbon. Then she lets the whiskey settle before sipping.

Stevens, a former whiskey industry executive, is a bourbon aficionado and founder of a new group called Bourbon Women. And she's finding out there are plenty of other women who share her affinity for Kentucky's signature whiskey, now that the industry is offering a growing lineup of higher quality, small-batch products.

"I think there's this sense of relief that finally we were at

a point where we can be taken seriously as women who enjoy bourbon and the lifestyle that accompanies it," said Mary Quinn Ramer, a founding board member from Lexington.

"That it's just not for men anymore."

The group will offer plenty of chances for bourbon tastings, distillery visits and girls' nights out, along with tips on new bourbon-laced recipes and how to liven up parties.

There's a serious side, however. Business executives are counted among the members, and mingling gives them a chance to network, said Stevens, who runs a branding and marketing company in Louisville.

"They are very independent, they are very curious," Stevens said of group members. "They're confident, they know what they like, immediately."

Experts say the comeback of traditional cocktails has led many women to bourbon. So has the rise of higher quality, specialty bourbons.

"With these kinds of top-shelf products, many women are getting to experience the softer, smoother side of bourbon," said Parker Beam, the longtime master distiller at Heaven Hill Distilleries, whose bourbons include Evan Williams and Elijah Craig.

Beam, a grandnephew of Jim Beam, said more women are showing up at bourbon tastings around the country. Groups like Bourbon Women will help fuel that growth, he said. □

In New Jersey

Transgender man sues over drug-center firing



El'Jai Devoureau

By **GEOFF MULVIHILL**
Associated Press

HADDONFIELD, N.J. — A transsexual man has sued the drug-treatment center where he worked, claiming it discriminated against him when it fired him from a job that only a man is allowed to do: watching men urinate.

Experts believe El'Jai Devoureau's case is the first in the U.S. where a transgender employee has claimed an employer discriminated based on birth gender.

"As our society becomes appropriately more tolerant, I hope that there are more brave people that are willing to endure the collateral problems by drawing a line in the sand and saying they won't stand for discrimination,"

said Jim Walden, a lawyer representing Devoureau.

The question at the heart of a case is whether someone who is living as a man and recognized by the government as a man is one when it comes to employment. □

In Iowa

Early warning prevented injuries during twister

By **MICHAEL J. CRUMB**
Associated Press

MAPLETON, Iowa — Residents of a small Iowa town had 15 minutes of warning before a tornado leveled more than half their community a critical advantage in preventing any deaths or serious injuries, authorities said Monday. The storm barreled through Mapleton on Saturday night with winds of more than 130 mph.

But the worst injury was a mere broken leg.

Monona County Sheriff Jeff Pratt said he and his deputies, along with trained storm spotters, tracked the twister across



Jason Mauch, center, carries a basket of belonging from his destroyed house in Mapleton, Iowa after a large tornado struck the town. Authorities reported no serious injuries

the countryside and notified communities in its path to blow their warning sirens earlier than normal.

That let people scramble into basements or seek other shelter. □



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Unclear if find is human

Bones found at NY's Jones Beach



Police search through the brush near Jones Beach in Wantagh, N.Y. Investigators searching for evidence of a serial killer are hitting the ground around New York's Jones Beach State Park. About 125 personnel, some with dogs, searched the area. Officers in neighboring Suffolk County uncovered eight sets of human remains in recent months

By FRANK ELTMAN
Associated Press

WANTAGH, N.Y. — Investigators looking for evidence of a serial killer found bones and they will be evaluated by a medical examiner to determine if they're human remains, authorities said. About 125 searchers, some

with dogs and others on horseback, were scouring Jones Beach State Park in Nassau County when the discovery was made. In neighboring Suffolk County, officers have uncovered eight sets of human remains in recent months. Authorities believe the eight deaths may be the work of a

serial killer, but no suspect has been identified.

Shannan Gilbert, a Jersey City, N.J., prostitute who was the initial focus of the search, is still missing.

The search has been focused on an expanding stretch of Ocean Parkway on Long Island. A search of a seven-mile section concluded Thursday, but investigators moved further west. Police discovered the first body in December while looking for Gilbert, a 24-year-old who was last seen in May in Oak Beach, a seaside enclave several miles away. Three more bodies turned up two days later. All four were later identified as prostitutes in their 20s. A fifth body was found two weeks ago, about a mile east of the first four, and police located three more bodies last week. Police have not identified any of the more recent bodies and have not definitively linked them to the remains found in December. □

US blocks hundreds suspected terrorists

By EILEEN SULLIVAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. government has prevented more than 350 people suspected of ties to al-Qaida and other terrorist groups from boarding U.S.-bound commercial flights since the end of 2009, The Associated Press has learned.

The tighter security rules imposed after the attempted bombing of an airliner on Christmas 2009 reveal a security threat that persisted for more than seven years after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

Until then, even as commercial passengers were forced to remove their shoes, limit the amount of shampoo in their carry-on luggage and endure pat downs, hundreds of foreigners with known or suspected ties to terrorism passed through security and successfully flew to the United States each year, U.S. officials told the AP.

The government said these foreigners typically told Customs officers they were flying to the U.S. for legitimate reasons such as vacations or business.

Security practices changed after an admitted al-Qaida operative from Nigeria was



Delta-Northwest Airlines plane N820NW is pulled back to the terminal at the Detroit Metropolitan airport.

accused of trying to blow himself up on a flight to Detroit on Christmas 2009. Until then, airlines only kept passengers off U.S.-bound planes if they were on the no-fly list, a list of people considered a threat to aviation.

Now before an international flight leaves for the U.S., the government checks passengers against a larger watch list that includes al-Qaida financiers and people who attended training camps but aren't considered threats to planes. The government was checking this list before, but only after the flight was en route. If someone on the flight was on the watch list, the person would be questioned and likely refused to enter the country after the plane landed. □

BP buys Gulf Coast millions in gear

By MICHAEL KUNZELMAN
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — In the year since the Gulf oil spill, officials along the coast have gone on a spending spree with BP money, dropping tens of millions of dollars on gadgets, vehicles and gear much of which had little to do with the cleanup, an Associated Press investigation shows. The oil giant opened its checkbook while the crisis was still unfolding last spring and poured hundreds of millions of dollars into Gulf Coast communities with few strings attached.



A biologist from the Audubon Institute, releases a sea turtle that had previously been impacted by oil from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, back into the Gulf of Mexico, 45 miles off the coast of Louisiana, Thursday. The boat was purchased with money from BP.

In sleepy Ocean Springs, Miss., reserve police officers got Tasers. The sewer department in nearby Gulfport bought a \$300,000 vacuum truck that never sucked up a drop of oil. Biloxi, Miss., bought 14 SUVs and trucks. A parish president in Louisiana got herself a top-of-the-line iPad, her spokesman a \$3,100 laptop. And a county in Florida spent \$560,000 on rock concerts to promote its oil-free beaches. In every case, communities said the new, more powerful equipment was needed to deal at least indirectly with the spill. □

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Abuse claims against priests rise in 2010



A visitor prays during mass at a Roman Catholic Church in the village of Knock in County Mayo.

CHICAGO – The U.S. Roman Catholic Church and its insurers paid \$124 million last year to settle allegations of child sexual abuse, up from \$104 million a year earlier, a church-commissioned audit showed on Monday. There were 428 new allegations of sexual abuse against a minor filed in 2010, seven of which related to child abuse that was said to occur during the year, the U.S. Conference of Bishops said, citing the audit. The number of claims was 7 percent higher than those lodged in 2009, but half the 2004 peak when 889 people reported abuse deemed by the auditors as credible, the report found. Of the 345 clergy accused in 2010 of abuse, two-thirds had either already been removed from the ministry or had died, according to the report, based on a survey by the Center

for Applied Research in the Apostolate at Georgetown University. An abuse scandal erupted in Boston a decade ago and spread across the country, causing the U.S. Catholic Church to adopt a “Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People” and to pay for annual independent audits of claims. Along with their report, the auditors sent warning notices to 55 of 188 participating dioceses last year, compared with 23 dioceses in 2009, over perceived shortcomings in adhering to the child protection charter. Shortcomings included allowing clergy barred from ministry to lead public prayers, not monitoring parishes, not keeping track of the “safe environment training” required of priests, and failing to enforce other measures intended to end abuse. □

In Arizona

Court rules against immigration law

PHOENIX – A U.S. appeals court, in a ruling released on Monday, upheld a preliminary injunction against parts of Arizona’s controversial immigration law that were challenged by the Obama administration. Arizona’s law included a provision that would require the police to determine the immigration status of a person they have detained and suspect is in the country illegally. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that a lower court did not abuse its authority by enjoining key sections of the state law, including the police require-

ment. The law, which was signed by Republican Governor Jan Brewer at the end of April last year, had wide support in the Mexico border state and across the United States as a whole, but was opposed by President Barack Obama and civil rights groups. Opponents of the law said it would lead to harassment of Hispanic Americans, and the Obama administration argued the U.S. Constitution gave the federal government sole authority over immigration matters. The Republican-controlled Arizona legislature passed



A US Immigration and Customs Enforcement tactical agent tracks illegal immigrants’ footprints near a pond in the Tohono O’odham Nation, Arizona.

the measure to try to stem the flood of thousands of illegal immigrants who cross its border from Mexico and to cut down on drug trafficking and other crimes in the area. □

Cloth or disposables? Half-century debate still on



Daniela Laboy, 3, and brother Alejandro, 1, center, play with other children at a 50th Birthday celebration for the disposable diaper Pampers in Cincinnati, Ohio. Disposables, cloth. Cloth, disposables.

By **LEANNE ITALIE**
Associated Press

NEW YORK – Disposables, cloth. Cloth, disposables. Fifty years after Procter &

Gamble introduced affordable throwaway diapers, dubbing them Pampers, the battle over baby’s bottom rages on. The brand brought on a revolution in baby care, obliterating safety pins, soaking pails and diaper delivery trucks. But reusables have been slowly inching back into the mainstream, with the predictable face-off among parents choosing one or the other though some families use both. In 1958, with other disposables already out, P&G’s version was a “fortunate failure” during a summer test run in Dallas, according to a company history. Consisting of pads and plastic pants, it made babies uncomfortable in the

heat. The company tweaked the invention into a one-piece and went calling on parents again in 1961. They played in Peoria, Ill., one of the markets chosen, but customers said the cost of 10 cents each was too high. More tweaks followed and the price went down to 6 cents. By 1979, Pampers was a billion-dollar brand. □ The disposable diaper industry, now worth more than \$25 billion, crushed the cloth market. But wait. After the save-the-planet zeitgeist of two decades ago failed to produce a blockbuster comeback, reusables have become de rigueur in certain circles, and to some parents who lack money for disposables. □

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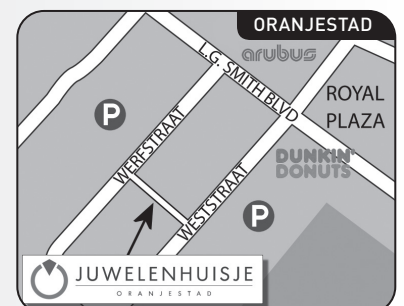
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ORANJESTAD - We would like to introduce Evan to you, one of the donkeys living at the Aruban Donkey Sanctuary. He is one of the few donkeys who has wandered into the sanctuary all by his own. Of course he was welcome to stay, but after a while he just disappeared as suddenly as he had come in. He did not stay away long, as the companionship of the other donkeys, the good food and the lovely hay had a definite charm. After some time away, he was knocking at our door again, asking to come in, this time for good. Evan, a robust, dominant, but very friendly donkey, loves living here now. He looks very cool, a bit like a Belgian postman's horse and he has a weird characteristic: when he is braying, it sounds as if his vocal chords need a dash of WD40: there is a high note in his voice.

Evan has a chip, just like the other donkeys. This way he can be recognized and all his medical information is on it. The donkeys at the sanctuary are well-cared for: they get their food and drink and when they are sick the vet is called. Yes, they are expensive customers. The volunteers try to cover the cost through organizing all kinds of activities and by selling nice souvenirs in the store. Fortunately there are visitors who adopt a donkey now and then, who donate money or who buy something in the store. □

Christy Garrido is Manager of the Year at Divi



PALM BEACH - Christy Garrido was named manager of the year for Divi's Vacation Ownership division offering the purchase of timeshare luxury condos and villas at Divi Aruba Phoenix Beach Resort on Palm Beach.

Top achievers from the Divi Aruba Phoenix Beach Resort joined the stars of Divi Village Golf & Beach Resort, and Divi Dutch Village Resort for an award gala at the Westin Resort & Casino Aruba, Grand Ballroom.

The gala recognized achievement at all three properties and was conducted by Director of Timeshare for Divi Resorts Paula Smith, and VP of Sales & Marketing Mark Steward.

Handsome plaque were presented to Most Improved from 2009 to 2010, Marketing, Euphema Stephens; Most Improved from 2009 to 2010, Divi Links, Judeska Peterson; Most Improved from 2009 to 2010 Aruba Phoenix Miguel



Daza; Overall Top VPG Award, Sigifredo Castaño; Overall Top Closing Percentage Nickie Simmons; Top In-house Performer of the year, Divi Links, Iona Lanoy de Windt; Top In-house Performer of the Year, Aruba Phoenix, Hubert Cunha; Administration Outstanding Work Award, Undina Williamson; and Outstanding Achievement Award, Nathalie Naar. Nominees and winner were lauded by Smith and Steward for their dedication while Divi's CEO E.J. Schanferber credited the Divi sales team for his company's financial success. □



Volkswagen has encore performance at Aqua Grill



PALM BEACH - It's a repeat performance at Aqua Grill for Volkswagen. Last week marked the second visit sponsored by the car company, who has a total of three groups visiting the island throughout the month from the United States as part of a reward incentive trip for top performers among sales representatives, dealers, and management. They are being rewarded for excellence in performance with Volkswagen and its customers. The group of nearly 100 dined on the restaurant's mezzanine and outside on the patio. Chef Scott tailored menus especially for the event. Aruba is a popular destination for incentive groups, conferences, and corporate team-building seminars. Many of those groups are choosing Aqua Grill as a dinner destination while here on the island. The critically-praised seafood restaurant's fresh-only concept allows diners to enjoy catches brought in daily by local fishermen. □



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Bridge Results Aloha Bridge Club Aruba

ORANJESTAD – On Thursday, April 7th, 2011, a total of 10 pairs joined the bridge session of this morning at the Members Lounge of the Aruba Beach Club Resort.

The results 50% and higher are as follows:

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| 1 Corrie Veldman / Addy Eilers | 61.98 % |
| 2 Annette Ybeles / Joke Henriquez | 57.81 % |
| 3 Liesbeth van den Ham / Carola Pinxter | 53.65 % |
| 4 Geke In 't Veld / Annemieke de Cuba | 52.08 % |
| 5 Stascha Hornix / Henk Berghuizen | 51.04 % |

Friday, April 8th, 2011

A total of 9 pairs attended the bridge session of this evening at the Frank Conway Room of the Casa del Mar Beach Resort.

The following guest players joined the group: Bernadine and Pat Flavin from the U.S., Hetty and Franklin Roosenhoff and Mieke and Willem Mensink from the Netherlands.

The results 50% and higher are as follows:

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|---------------------------------------|---------|
| 1 Addy Eilers / Jan van der Roest | 63.58 % |
| 2 Lieneke Kluiving / Marion Pijper | 57.63 % |
| 3 Gerry Meenhorst / Chris Joosten | 54.17 % |
| 4 Kathy Yarzagaray / Carmen Kruythoff | 52.00 % |
| 5 Bernadine and Pat Flavin | 50.88 % |

Aloha Bridge Club Aruba meets twice a week: on Thursday mornings at the Members Lounge of the Aruba Beach Club Resort, starting at 9.00 am and on Friday evenings at the Frank Conway Room of Casa del Mar, starting at 7.30 pm. Signing up closes ten minutes before starting time. Fee for guest players \$ 6.00 or Afl. 10.00 per person. The club can also be of assistance in finding single players a bridge partner. Please call Addy Eilers, tel. 5824953. □

Although Aruba is outside of the Hurricane Belt

2011 hurricane season above average

Yesterday, The Department of Atmospheric Science at Colorado State University is forecasting well above-average activity for the 2011 Atlantic hurricane season, and anticipates an above-average probability of a major hurricane landfall for the Caribbean.

The extended range forecast of Atlantic seasonal hurricane activity and landfall strike probability for 2011 report by the William Gray-led department specifically states that the 2011 Atlantic hurricane season will have significantly more activity than the average 1950-2000 season.

The report states that 2011 will have about nine hurricanes (average is 5.9), 16 named storms (average is 9.6), 80 named storm days (average is 49.1), 35 hurricane days (average is 24.5), five major hurricanes (average is 2.3) and 10 major hurricane days (average is 5.0).

The Colorado officials said



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, or NOAA, is expected to release its forecast for the 2011 season in May.

the cause of the stormy season was a combination of water surface temperatures in the Atlantic and neutral surface temperatures in the Pacific.

A busier-than-average hurricane season prediction has also been given by forecasters with AccuWeather.

“Last year we had the one system that came in pretty strong to the Lower Valley, and I think we are going to see a good chance of an early season again for Texas,”

said expert senior meteorologist and hurricane forecaster

Paul Pastelok of AccuWeather.com. “It is similar to last year, but places down to the south, like Mexico and Yucatán,

could get hit just as hard as they did last year, and Texas could also see one or perhaps two systems that impact us early on in the season.”

The storms could come as early as mid-June and although the chances are higher for early in the season, Pastelok said, “I can’t tell you that nothing is going to happen late in the season.” □

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and friendly staff will pamper you from 4 pm till 10.30pm, every day of the week.

Come in early for the daily fresh catches, such as red snapper, grouper, mahi mahi, wahoo and tuna. Check with the server to find out about the Catch of the day. The chef will be more than happy to prepare your fish the way you like it best: grilled, deep-fried, pan-fried or the chef’s choice. Every Wednesday, seafood specials are prepared depending on what the Fishermen bring in fresh out of the water that afternoon. These specials usually include fresh Caribbean lobster and pounds of peeled shrimps.

Fishes and More is for everyone. For those who like to try something different, for those who can’t shake the seafood addiction, for those who want to eat a great piece of veal, or pasta, everyone is more than welcome.

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Cool Casino Surprises Susan Spirkle



Visitor wins a Generous Jackpot

PALM BEACH — Susan Spirkle could not believe her eyes when the diamonds lined up on the slot machine she was playing, and she immediately started jumping up and down, clapping her hands and grinning from ear to ear, she was indeed a very happy girl, when she collected a \$3,200

Jackpot.

Cool Casino at Riu Palace is gearing up for the Easter Holiday Week organizing a great number of activities including Slot Tournaments and Blackjack Tournaments and granting all slot players x3 points beginning with Holy Thursday, April 21st till April 30th. □

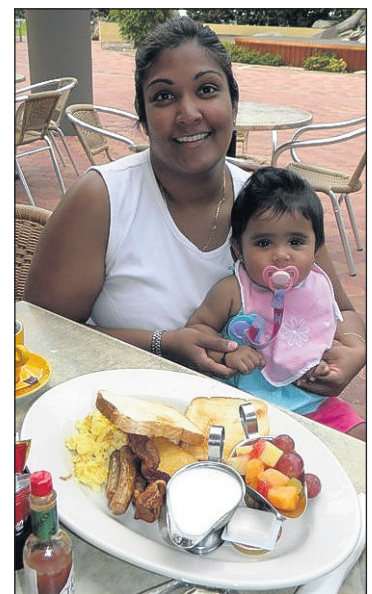
Café the Plaza launches new menu

ORANJESTAD - You don't need to worry! Café the Plaza, your favorite restaurant in the Renaissance Marketplace, did not scratch any of your favorites when it came up with its new menu. Best-sellers like the Chicken Saté and the Shoarma, the 'bitterballen', its delicious, secret-recipe peanut sauce and the garlic sauce are still there

for the asking. New are the Chicken Livers, the Chicken in Cream Pasta, the Jäger Schnitzel, the '12-uurtje', the Soup and Sandwich combination, the Wraps and the Dutch Cold Snack Platter for those hunger pangs when you have had a few drinks. The daily specials, soups, salads, the Classics, the burgers, the fish, pork and meat entrees, the



Featuring many old favorites

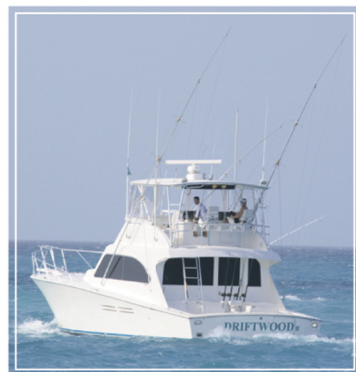


sandwiches, snacks and egg options have remained, as has the good service, the ambiance and the reasonable prices of the popular café. The day at Café the Plaza starts at 8 am, when three types of breakfast are served: the Aruban breakfast, the Dutch Breakfast and Breakfast American Style; specialty coffees, espressos, cappuccinos, assorted teas, orange juice and Bloody Mary's complement the breakfast menu. □

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"fresh seafood" really mean. What Herby catches will be served in his restaurant on

the same day. Herby loves to share his fishing passion with the many visitors to the island. His fleet of a 35 ft. Twin Engine Bertram yacht and a 50 ft. Twin Engine Post yacht, appropriately called "Driftwood I and II, is available for charters on a daily basis from 8am to

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12 noon and from 1pm to 5pm. A charter includes: captain, mate, all fishing equipment, bait, sodas and bottled water. On a full day charter sandwiches and snacks are also included. You can call Herby directly at (297) 592 4040 or go to www.driftwoodaruba.com.

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In Ivory Coast

French Forces capture strongman in bunker



Laurent Gbagbo, center, is seen after his arrest, at the Golf Hotel in Abidjan, Ivory Coast. After a week of heavy fighting, forces backing Ivory Coast's internationally recognized leader Alassane Ouattara on Monday arrested strongman Laurent Gbagbo who had refused to leave the presidency despite losing elections more than four months earlier.

By MARCO CHOWN
Associated Press

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast—Ivory Coast's elected president used his troops and French tanks and air power to oust strongman Laurent Gbagbo, ending their four-month standoff on Monday by pulling him from his burning residence. Images of Gbagbo being led into a room in a white undershirt were broadcast on television as proof of his capture even as he refused to sign a statement formally ceding power after losing November's election. Residents of the commercial capital of Abidjan refrained from celebrating in public, still fearful of the hundreds of armed fighters that continued to prowl the streets, refusing to believe their leader had been arrested. Sporadic

gunfire echoed across the city Monday night.

More than a million civilians fled their homes and untold numbers were killed over the course of the power struggle that threatened to re-ignite a civil war in the world's largest cocoa producer. Gbagbo could be forced to answer for his soldiers' crimes, but an international trial threatens to stoke the divisions that President Alassane Ouattara will now have to heal.

Gbagbo's dramatic arrest came after days of heavy fighting during which French and U.N. helicopters fired rockets at arms depots around the city and targets within the presidential compound. Ouattara's final push began just after French airstrikes ceased at around 3 a.m. Monday. A simultaneous French armored advance secured large parts of the city and pro-Ouattara troops entered the presidential compound just after midday. "We attacked and forced in a part of the bunker," Issard Soumahro, a pro-Ouattara fighter at the scene, told The Associated Press.

He added that Gbagbo was tired and had been slapped by a soldier, but was not otherwise hurt.

Witnesses at the nearby Golf Hotel said Gbagbo was brought in with his wife, son and about 50 members of his entourage.

"The nightmare is over for the people of Ivory Coast,"

In Belarus

Blast in Minsk subway kills 7, wounds 35

By YURAS KARMANAU
Associated Press

MINSK, Belarus—An explosion tore through a key subway station in the Belarusian capital of Minsk during evening rush hour Monday, killing seven people and wounding 50 others, officials said. An Associated Press reporter at the scene saw heavily wounded people being carried out of the Oktyabrskaya subway station, including one person with missing legs. Several witnesses told The Associated Press that the explosion hit just as passengers were stepping off a train about 6 p.m. The Oktyabrskaya station, where Minsk's two subway lines intersect, was crowded with transferring passengers at the end of the work day.



People carry a victim of a blast on a stretcher in central Minsk.

The station is within 100 meters of the residence of authoritarian President Alexander Lukashenko and the Palace of the Republic, a concert hall often used for government ceremonies. There was no immediate in-

dication of whether the blast was an accident or a terrorist attack.

Interior Ministry spokeswoman Svetlana Borovskaya told The Associated Press that seven people were killed and 50 wounded. □

In Libya

Rebels reject African cease-fire proposal

By BEN HUBBARD
Associated Press

BENGHAZI, Libya—Rebel leaders rejected a cease-fire proposal Monday from African mediators, saying the terms did not include their demand for Moammar Gadhafi to relinquish power after four decades as Libya's leader. Gadhafi's forces, meanwhile, battered the rebel-held city of Misrata with artillery fire, despite an announcement by the African Union negotiators hours earlier that he had accepted their cease-fire proposal. The shelling killed six people, one of them a 3-year-old girl, a doctor said.



An angry but peaceful crowd lines the route to the Tibesty Hotel where an African Union delegation was meeting with opposition leaders in Benghazi, Libya. The African Union delegation took its cease-fire proposal to the rebels' eastern stronghold and was met with protests by crowds opposed to any peace until the country's longtime leader Moammar Gadhafi gives up power.

The head of the rebels' Transitional National Council, former Libyan Justice Minister Mustafa Abdel-Jalil, said the

initiative "did not respond to the aspirations of the Libyan people" and only involved political reforms. □

Is Sarah Palin a 'birther' now?



Former Alaska governor Sarah Palin has yet to announce if she will contest the 2012 presidential election.

NEW YORK — The Alaskan political celebrity says on Fox News that it's not crazy for Donald Trump to question whether President Obama was really born in the U.S.

Donald Trump has used his loudly expressed doubts about President Obama's origins to become one of the spring's most-discussed presidential hopefuls, and fellow potential candidate Sarah Palin says, "More power to him." Speaking with Fox News' Jeanine Pirro on Saturday, Palin said she thinks Obama "was born in Hawaii," but gets why "a lot of people" find Obama's unwillingness to release the long-form version of his birth certificate "kind of perplexing." Has Palin gone birther?

She's veering even further into the political fringe: "Every other serious Republican has distanced themselves from Donald Trump's birther crusade," says Doug Mataconis in *Outside the Beltway*. But Palin just "opened her Alaskan arms wide and gave The Donald a big hug." Only she can explain why she thinks it's a good move to "embrace Trump's bizarre crusade," but it makes her look foolish. After all, "Obama released his Hawaii birth certificate in June 2008."

"Sarah Palin on Donald Trump's birtherism: 'More power to him'"

No, this is just smart politics: Palin's answer is "shrewd," says Sarah Devlin in *Mediaite*. She seems to be offering "a quiet, but not overt, encouragement of Trump's investigation," but doesn't go in too deep. By leading with her belief that Obama was in fact born in Hawaii, she sounds "credible, rational, and moderate," but leaves enough doubt to pander to the Republican Party's growing birther-curious base. □

Big cuts for health research are coming

Rachel Riederer
Associated Press

NEW YORK - Friday's eleventh-hour continuing resolution prevented a federal government shutdown, but while both sides have declared victory and pundits have already turned their attention to the looming debt-ceiling debate, Congress still has to prepare and pass the final budget for the last six months of FY 2011. Details about where the agreed upon \$38 billion in cuts will come from are still emerging, but one of the hardest hit agencies will likely be the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the world's largest investor in biomedical research. The House FY2011 appropriations bill would cut the NIH budget by \$1.6 billion.

After accounting for biomedical inflation (each year the prices of research equipment and supplies increase by about 2 percent more than the general inflation rate), this would leave NIH funding at its 2001 level. An earlier Senate budget plan that aimed to cut \$10 billion in spending would have maintained NIH funding at the FY 2010 level. But now that the target for cuts has nearly tripled, it's likely that some of the cuts will come from NIH funds. Researchers and patient advocates are rightfully nervous the cut would turn already competitive research grants into lotteries and slow scientific progress that translates into medical care.

The NIH's total budget of \$31 billion is responsible for one-third of Health and Human Services discretionary spending. But the suggestion that cutting its budget would make a meaningful dent in the deficit is ridiculous: it accounts for just 2.9 percent of total discretionary spending. □

Libya and Humanitarian War

Robert Dreyfuss
Associated Press

Two elder American statesman, at least one of which might better be put on trial for war crimes, have come up with an attempt to square the circle by reconciling "realism" and "idealism" that is, neoconservative interventionism—in regard to "humanitarian" wars. They fail.

Writing in the *Washington Post*, Henry Kissinger and James Baker make an effort to describe the principles that ought to be applied when invading, bombing, or otherwise attacking a country over cases in which direct national security interests aren't at stake, but human life is. Leaving aside whether or not readers ought to take Kissinger seriously on a matter of public policy, the two men declare: "Having served four US presidents during a variety of international crises, we view the choice between 'idealism' and 'realism' as a false one. Just as ideals must be applied in

concrete circumstances, realism requires context for our nation's values to be meaningful. To separate them risks building policy on sand."

It's a critical question, and it's one that the left must grapple with far more intensely than it has. In his recent speech in support of the American-NATO attack on Libya, President Obama made it clear that there are little or no limits on his determination to use military force when and where he sees fit. The president declared that he is more than ready to use military force unilaterally, in cases where U.S. interests are at stake, and that he will also use military force when American "values" are threatened abroad. Although Obama stated a preference for force in combination with allies and international support, including United Nations backing, his support for "values"-based interventionism and "unilateral" actions means that he's opened to the door for unlimited American interventions



Princeton professor
Gary J. Bass.

even if no vital interests are at stake. Kissinger and Baker propose a new term to replace "realism" and "idealism," namely, "pragmatic idealism." They say: "Our values impel us to alleviate human suffering. But as a general principle, our country should do so militarily only when a national interest is also at stake. Such an approach could properly be labeled 'pragmatic idealism.'" But in the very next sentence, they add: "Libya is arguably an exception to the rule." □

Frat boys with guns

Arizona's 'inexplicable' guns-on-campus bill

NEW YORK — The Grand Canyon State, still reeling from the Tucson shootings, wants to loosen gun laws for college kids. The Republican-controlled Arizona legislature has approved a bill allowing students and staff to carry guns on public college campuses. If Gov. Jan Brewer (R) signs off, Arizona will become the second state, after Utah, permitting guns on school property although Texas lawmakers are debating a similar proposal. Supporters say the measure will make colleges safer by letting people licensed to carry handguns defend themselves in emergencies like the 2007 Virginia Tech massacre. Critics say the measure is "inexplicable," as it will encourage more people to carry guns in a state still rattled by the January shootings in Tucson. Who's right?

This will only make campuses more dangerous: "College kids aren't responsible," says Nicole Fabian-Weber at *The Stir*. Virtually every person

who has ever attended a university has "done something stupid" by the time graduation rolls around that's what happens when you "mix parentless students with alcohol." Throw guns into the mix and campuses will become unnecessarily dangerous, which is why the faculties of three Arizona universities passed resolutions against this bill. It's just a really "bad idea." "Frat boys with guns: Just what Arizona Needs?" Students should not be defenseless: It's time to move past the fantasy "that college is some sort of magical zone where people should not be allowed to protect themselves," says David Burnett of *Students for Concealed Carry*, as quoted in *The Christian Science Monitor*. Opponents of the law insist it's OK to deny students their constitutional right to bear arms out of concern for their safety. But Utah hasn't seen a single incident of gun violence since 2006, when the state started permit-



Gov. Jan Brewer

ting concealed weapons on college campuses.

"Arizona legislature OKs guns on campus"

This is a solution in search of a problem: There just aren't enough cases of "serious violence" on college campuses to justify the risks involved in arming students, says James Alan Fox at *The Boston Globe*. There are fewer than 20 homicides a year on college campuses. "Without minimizing the gravity of any loss of life, this annual victim count of is out of the tens of millions who study or work at institutions of higher education." There's just no need for this bill.

"Guns on campus More peril than protection" □

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Postcard from Chernobyl: vision of Apocalypse



Newspapers from March 1986 with a picture of Soviet state founder Vladimir Lenin are seen in an empty building in the abandoned town of Pripyat, in the 30 km exclusion zone around the closed Chernobyl nuclear power plant.

By **Richard Balmforth**
Associated Press

PRYPYAT, Ukraine — Only a Hollywood doomsday movie can prepare a visitor for Prypyat, the ghost town at the epicenter of the world's worst nuclear disaster.

A poisoned corpse of a city, its crumbling, deserted buildings devoid of life stand as a symbol of human folly, lost dreams and broken childhood.

Just down the road from Prypyat, a short time after midnight on April 26, 1986, reactor No. 4 at the Chernobyl nuclear plant exploded, spewing radioactive debris into the air after a safety experiment went horribly wrong.

It was the Cold War. Within days, the name 'Chernobyl' had become a byword across the world for Soviet bungling and callousness, since Moscow, obsessed by secrecy, did not come clean

about the disaster for nearly 36 hours.

As a cloud of radioactive particles billowed across parts of Ukraine and neighboring Belarus then both part of the Soviet family a death knell sounded for the Soviet Union. It collapsed five years later. More immediately, it doomed the young model city of Prypyat to become a museum piece for generations and turned a circular area with a radius of 30 km into a vast no-go zone, now officially called the Zone of Alienation.

As the visitor rockets by bus to Prypyat along a pot-holed road, windowless abandoned houses peer out from a screen of foliage which is steadily swallowing them up.

As Japan fights to control radiation leaking from its crippled Fukushima nuclear plant, the Chernobyl disaster remains the grim benchmark for just how badly things could work out. □

France bans face-covering Islamic veil

By **CAMILLE RUSTICI**
Associated Press

PARIS — France's new ban on Islamic face veils was met with a burst of defiance Monday, as several women appeared veiled in front of Paris' Notre Dame Cathedral and two were detained for taking part in an unauthorized protest.

France became the first country to ban the veils anywhere in public, from outdoor marketplaces to the sidewalks and boutiques of the Champs-Elysees.

French President Nicolas Sarkozy set the wheels in motion for the ban nearly two years ago, saying the veils imprison women and contradict this secular nation's values of dig-



An unidentified veiled woman, right, is taken away by plain clothed police officers, left and second left, as she is accompanied by two friends, center left and right, in Paris. France's new ban on Islamic face veils was met with a burst of defiance as several women appeared veiled in front of Paris' Notre Dame Cathedral and two were detained for taking part in an unauthorized protest. France became the world's first country to ban the veils anywhere in public.

nity and equality.

The ban enjoyed wide public support when it was approved by parliament last year.

Though only a very small

minority of France's at least 5 million Muslims wear the veil, many Muslims see the ban as a stigma against the country's No. 2 religion. □

In Jamaica

Skin bleaching a growing problem in slums

By **DAVID McFADDEN**
Associated Press

KINGSTON, Jamaica — Mikeisha Simpson covers her body in greasy white cream and bundles up in a track suit to avoid the fierce sun of her native Jamaica, but she's not worried about skin cancer.

The 23-year-old resident of a Kingston ghetto hopes to transform her dark complexion to a cafe-au-lait-color common among Jamaica's elite and favored by many men in her neighborhood. She believes a fairer skin could be her ticket to a better life.

So she spends her meager savings on cheap black-market concoctions that promise to lighten her pigment.

Simpson and her friends ultimately shrug off public health



Mikeisha Simpson poses for a portrait in Kingston, Jamaica. Simpson, 23, hopes to transform her dark complexion to a cafe-au-lait-color common among Jamaica's elite and favored by many men in her neighborhood. She believes a fairer skin could be her ticket to a better life, so she spends her savings on black-market concoctions that promise to lighten her pigment.

campaigns and reggae hits blasting the reckless practice. "I hear the people that say bleaching is bad, but I'll still

do it. I won't stop 'cause I like it and I know how to do it safe," said Simpson, her young daughter bouncing on her hip.

People around the world often try to alter their skin color, using tanning salons or dyes to darken it or other chemicals to lighten it.

In the gritty slums of Jamaica, doctors say the skin lightening phenomenon has reached dangerous proportions.

"I know of one woman who started to bleach her baby. She got very annoyed with me when I told her to stop immediately, and she left my office.

I often wonder what became of that baby," said Neil Persadsingh, a leading Jamaican dermatologist. □

Russia releases Gagarin's secret last words



Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin posing with his wife Valentina and daughter Yelena on the bank of the Klyazma River in central Russian Vladimir region.

By Dmitry Zaks
Associated Press

MOSCOW — One of the last things Yuri Gagarin did before making his pioneering voyage into space 50 years ago was make sure he had enough sausage to last him on the trip back home to Moscow. This tidbit was among more than 700 pages of once-secret material linked to the life and times of the world's first spaceman that were released by Russia ahead of the April

12 anniversary.

The historic space shot turned Gagarin into an instant celebrity whose boyish charms became a powerful propaganda weapon for the Soviet Union as it scrambled to win its ideological battle against the United States during the Cold War. His boy-next-door grin and outsized helmet became a staple of Soviet stamps while his heroism turned into a subject of elementary school literature that became comparable

to the teachings of Lenin. Russian authorities with their own space program in trouble have grabbed on to that glory by making the Gagarin celebrations into a national event stretching from the halls of the Kremlin to the International Space Station. Russian President Dmitry Medvedev is planning a visit to the mission control centre outside Moscow while his mentor and predecessor Vladimir Putin will hold his own meeting with Russian and Ukrainian cosmonauts in Ukraine. But making the biggest news among Russians this weekend were files revealing the conversation Gagarin had while strapped into his capsule with chief rocket designer Sergei Korolyov a man who became a legend in his own right. Gagarin is best remembered by a generation of Russian for pronouncing "Poyekhali!" as his Vostok spacecraft lifted off the ground. The phrase can be translated as either "Let's Go!" or "We're Off!" and is now a regular part of the Russian lexicon. But the Russian Internet was abuzz with what Gagarin said moments before his famous catchphrase.

One of Korolyov's biggest worries appeared to be that the would-be hero had enough to eat once he touched down on Earth. □

Italy lashes out at EU over immigrants

By RACHEL DONADIO
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ROME — Tensions rose between Italy and its EU partners on Monday over how to handle an influx of immigrants from North Africa, prompting the Italian interior minister to question the utility of the EU. At a meeting in Luxembourg on Monday, EU interior ministers said they would not recognize the temporary permits that Italy had said it planned to issue to scores of immigrants who have arrived since January.

The permits were intended to allow them free travel within Europe.

But Europe is divided over whether the permits would be valid in the entire visa-free Schengen area, which covers most of Western Europe, and on Monday, France and Germany rejected Italy's plan.

"If this is the answer, it is better to be alone than in bad company," Italy's interior minister, Roberto Maroni, said. "I wonder if it makes sense to stay in the European Union."

Maroni, who is a member of the Northern League, a party known for its strong anti-immigrant stance, has been vociferously critical of the EU, accusing it of

"abandoning" Italy. But it would be highly unlikely for Italy to act on any such threat to leave the union.

On Monday, Maroni called the EU "an institution that acted immediately to save banks and declare war, but when it comes to give solidarity to a country in difficulty like Italy, it is nowhere to be found." Italy had been calling on its fellow EU members to help share the burden of receiving the more than 22,000 immigrants who have arrived in Italy since January, the majority of them "economic migrants" from Tunisia seeking work in France and elsewhere in Europe.

On Monday, the French interior minister, Claude Gueant, said that France would step up controls along its border with Italy to prevent immigrants from entering unless they could prove they were economically self-sufficient.

Last week, Gueant said France would help Italy patrol the Tunisian coast.

Germany has said it would take in 100 refugees who arrived recently in Malta from North Africa, but it has been reluctant to accept economic migrants seeking work and has said that Italy should handle the influx on its own. □

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Debris, challenges pile up in Japan



A Japanese family walks along the flooded street at an area devastated by the March 11 earthquake and tsunami in the port town of Kesennuma.

By JAY ALABASTER
Associated Press

NATORI, Japan — A month after Japan's earthquake and tsunami, the challenges seem as daunting as ever: Thousands are missing and feared dead, tens of thousands have fled their homes, a leaking nuclear plant remains crippled and powerful aftershocks keep coming.

Vast tracts of the northeast are demolition sites: The stuff of entire cities is sorted into piles taller than three-story buildings around which dump trucks and earth-movers crawl. Ankle-deep water stagnates in streets, and massive fishing boats lie perched atop pancaked houses and cars. The occasional telephone poll or bulldozer is sometimes the only skyline.

"It's a hellish sorrow," said Numata Takahashi, 56, who escaped his home in Natori just before the waters came. "I don't know where we'll go, but I'm not coming back here. ... We'll go somewhere where there are no tsunamis." Two strong aftershocks have killed people and sunk thousands more households into darkness, while also delaying progress on restoring power to those in darkness since March 11. Facing the prospect of massive shortfalls in the hot summer months, the government is asking companies to cut their consumption drastically or face mandatory energy caps.

Over this destruction and deprivation, the fear of radiation

hangs. The tsunami knocked out power at the Fukushima Dai-ichi plant and reactors have been overheating since.

Progress in stabilizing the complex comes slowly most days, or not at all, as the new tremors and radiation repeatedly halt work. Monday's aftershock briefly cut electricity to the plant and halted work while technicians took cover, but did not endanger operations, according to officials.

The government, meanwhile, added five communities Monday to a list of places people should leave to avoid long-term radiation exposure. A 12-mile radius has been cleared around the plant already.

"I am speechless over the uncertainty that our people must face each day," said Yuhei Sato, the governor of Fukushima prefecture, which is home to the plant.

"Once we get over one mountain, we just see another rise up in front of us. We must find the end of the tunnel, but we haven't, and that is terribly difficult to bear," Sato told reporters minutes after communities across the northeast marked the moment the 9.0-magnitude earthquake struck.

At 2:46 p.m., sirens wailed, and firefighters and soldiers removed their hats and helmets and joined hands atop a small hill in Natori that has become a memorial. The clatter of construction equipment ceased briefly as crane operators stood outside their vehicles. □

1 dies in protest

Outside pressure on Syria grows

By ZEINA KARAM
Associated Press

BEIRUT — International pressure mounted on Syria's president Monday, with key European governments and the United Nations denouncing a deadly crackdown that has failed to dampen a popular uprising against the authoritarian regime.

In the latest violence, security forces killed a student Monday during a protest at Damascus University in the capital, bringing the death toll to well over 170 after more than three week of unrest, activists said. There were conflicting reports about whether the student was shot or beaten to death.

The United States, France, Germany and Britain demanded an immediate end to the bloodshed.

"Reform and repression are incompatible," the French Foreign Ministry said.

The strong criticism marks a turning point because many major powers have so far



A Syrian protester holds a candle with Arabic writing on his hands reading, 'Leave' during a vigil in front of the Syrian embassy in Amman.

held back on condemning President Bashar Assad outright, instead casting him as a reformer who has been constrained by members of his late father's old guard. U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said late last month that Assad is a a "different

leader" than Libya's Moammar Gadhafi, and that many members of Congress who have visited the country "believe he's a reformer."

But with the mounting casualties, the criticism has grown. "We're aware of continuing protests on a massive scale or a large scale," said U.S. State Department spokesman Mark Toner, speaking to reporters in Washington. He called on the government to lift restrictions on the media and "to refrain from any further violence against peaceful protesters."

Protests erupted in Syria more than three weeks ago and have been growing steadily, with tens of thousands of people calling for sweeping reforms in one of the most authoritarian regimes in the Middle East. The Assad family has kept an iron grip on power for 40 years, in part by crushing dissent. □

In Australia

Woodside, BHP douse takeover talk

SYDNEY — Major Australian energy producer Woodside Petroleum Monday played down reports mining giant BHP Billiton was planning a US\$50 billion takeover, saying it could not hide any serious proposals.

For its part BHP, the world's biggest miner,

said it was not aware of the basis of the heightened speculation, adding that the market would be informed immediately of any developments.

Shares in Woodside jumped more than six percent early Monday after Britain's Sunday Times reported that BHP was in talks to buy Royal Dutch Shell's 24 percent stake in Woodside, with plans for a full US\$50 billion takeover.

"There's so much speculation out there that you wouldn't expect me to say anything other than the following Woodside does not respond to market



Liquefied natural gas storage tanks are seen at the Woodside-operated North West Shelf Gas Venture in Western Australia. Major Australian energy producer Woodside Petroleum played down reports mining giant BHP Billiton was planning a US\$50 billion takeover, saying it could not hide any serious proposals.

or media speculation on these type of things," Woodside chief Don Voelte said.

Australia's strict continuous disclosure laws meant "we can't hide this stuff", Voelte added.

"We can't not talk about it," he told reporters in Perth.

"I mean, a serious proposal that would ever come in on Woodside, we would have to take it immediately to the marketplace."

Woodside is considered a natural target for BHP as the world's biggest miner seeks to grow its oil and gas operations, according to analysts, with any deal having the added benefit of ensuring the assets remained in Australian hands.

In November Woodside admitted it could be of interest to BHP Billiton after Royal Dutch Shell sold off a US\$3.3 billion stake. □

The President Is Missing!



By **PAUL KRUGMAN**
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What have they done with President Barack Obama? What happened to the inspirational figure his supporters thought they elected? Who is this bland, timid guy who doesn't seem to stand for anything in particular?

I realize that with hostile Republicans controlling the House, there's not much Obama can get done in the way of concrete policy. Arguably, all he has left is the bully pulpit. But he isn't even using that — or, rather, he's using it to reinforce his enemies' narrative.

His remarks after last week's budget deal were a case in point. Maybe that terrible deal, in which Republicans ended up getting more than their opening bid, was the best he could achieve — although it looks from here as if the president's idea of how to bargain is to start by negotiating with himself, making pre-emptive concessions, then pursue a second round of negotiation with the GOP, leading to further concessions. And bear in mind that this was just the first of several chances for Republicans to hold the budget hostage and threaten a government shutdown; by caving in so completely on the first round, Obama set a baseline for even bigger concessions over the next few months. But let's give the president the benefit of the doubt, and suppose that \$38 billion in spending cuts — and a much larger cut relative to his own budget proposals — was the best deal available. Even so, did Obama have to celebrate his defeat? Did he have to praise Congress for enacting “the largest annual spending cut in our history,” as if shortsighted budget cuts in the face of high unemployment — cuts that will

slow growth and increase unemployment — are actually a good idea?

Among other things, the latest budget deal more than wipes out any positive economic effects of the big prize Obama supposedly won from December's deal, a temporary extension of his 2009 tax cuts for working Americans. And the price of that deal, let's remember, was a two-year extension of the Bush tax cuts, at an immediate cost of \$363 billion, and a potential cost that's much larger — because it's now looking increasingly likely that those irresponsible tax cuts will be made permanent. More broadly, Obama is conspicuously failing to mount any kind of challenge to the philosophy now dominating Washington discussion — a philosophy that says the poor must accept big cuts in Medicaid and food stamps; the middle class must accept big cuts in Medicare (actually a dismantling of the whole program); and corporations and the rich must accept big cuts in the taxes they have to pay. Shared sacrifice!

I'm not exaggerating.

The House budget proposal that was unveiled last week — and was praised as “bold” and “serious” by all of Washington's Very Serious People — includes savage cuts in Medicaid and other programs that help the neediest, which would among other things deprive 34 million Americans of health insurance. It includes a plan to privatize and defund Medicare that would leave many if not most seniors unable to afford health care.

And it includes a plan to sharply cut taxes on corporations and to bring the tax rate on high earners down to its lowest level since 1931.

The nonpartisan Tax Policy Center puts the revenue loss from these tax cuts at \$2.9 trillion over the next decade. House Republicans claim that the tax cuts can be made “revenue neutral” by “broadening the tax base” — that is, by closing loopholes and ending exemptions. But you'd need to close a lot of loopholes to close a \$3 trillion gap; for example. □



Our cowardly congress



By **NICHOLAS D. KRISTOF**
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This isn't government we're watching; this is junior high. It's unclear where the adults are, but they don't seem to be in Washington. Beyond the malice of the threat to shut down the federal government, averted only at the last minute Friday night, it's painful how vapid the discourse is and how incompetent and cowardly our leaders have proved to be. A quick guide:

— Democrats excoriated Republicans for threatening to shut down the government, but this mess is a consequence of the Democrats' own failure to ensure a full year's funding last year when they controlled both houses of Congress.

That's when the budget should have been passed, before the fiscal year began on Oct. 1. But the Democrats were terror-stricken at the thought of approving spending bills that Republicans would criticize. So in gross dereliction of duty, the Democrats punted.

— Republicans say they're

trying to curb government spending and rescue the economy — but they threatened to shut down the government, even though that would have been both expensive and damaging to our economy.

The shutdowns in late 1995 and early 1996 cost the federal government more than \$1.4 billion, the Office of Management and Budget reported at the time. Much of that sum was for salaries repaid afterward for work that employees never did because they were on furlough. There were also lost fees at national parks and museums: tigers must be fed at the zoo, even if nobody is paying to see them.

It's particularly reckless and callous to threaten a shutdown when the economy is already anemic. Among the federal workers and contractors potentially losing paychecks, some would miss payments on their homes, their credit cards or their children's college tuition.

— Republicans are posturing against abortion in a way that would increase the number of abortions.

Conservatives have sought to bar federal funds from going directly to Planned Parenthood and the U.N. Population Fund. The money would not go for abortions, for federal law already blocks that, and the Population Fund doesn't provide abortions. What the money would pay for is family planning.

In the United States, public-

ly financed family planning prevented 1.94 million unwanted pregnancies in 2006, according to the Guttmacher Institute, which studies reproductive health. The result of those averted pregnancies was 810,000 fewer abortions, the institute said.

Publicly financed contraception pays for itself, by reducing money spent through Medicaid on childbirth and child care. Guttmacher found that every \$1 invested in family planning saved taxpayers \$3.74.

As for international family planning, the Guttmacher Institute calculates that a 15 percent decline in spending there would mean 1.9 million more unwanted pregnancies, 800,000 more abortions and 5,000 more maternal deaths. So when some lawmakers preen their anti-abortion feathers but take steps that would result in more abortions and more women dying in childbirth, that's not governance, that's hypocrisy.

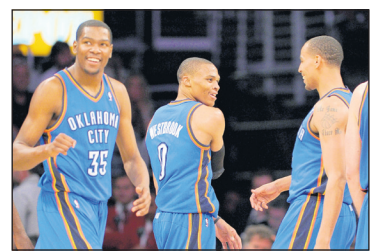
— The House Republican budget initiative, prepared by Rep. Paul Ryan, would slash spending and end Medicare and Medicaid as we know them — and it justifies all this as essential to confront soaring levels of government debt. Ryan is courageous to tackle entitlements so boldly, and he has a point: we do have a serious long-term debt problem, and Democrats haven't had the guts to deal with it seriously. □

Lakers lose 5th straight, 120-106 to Thunder

Oklahoma City Thunder forward Kevin Durant, left, guard Russell Westbrook, center, and guard Thabo Sefolosha of Switzerland celebrate during the second half of their NBA basketball game, Sunday, April 10, 2011, in Los Angeles. The Thunder won 120-106.

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NFL attorney David Boies fields a question outside the federal courthouse after the NFL antitrust lockout hearing Wednesday, April 6, 2011, in St Paul, Minn.

Associated Press

Judge orders NFL, players to fresh talks

By DAVE CAMPBELL
AP Sports Writer

ST. PAUL, Minn. — The NFL and its locked-out players have been ordered to start talking again.

The federal judge handling the lawsuit against the league told both sides Monday they will participate in court-supervised mediation, saying she still is considering whether to grant the players' request to lift the lockout that's been in place for a month.

The players got their wish, with the talks held in the federal courts in Minnesota rather than the collective bargaining setting where the two sides unsuccessfully met last month.

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STARS BURN OUT

Wild eliminates Stars from playoffs

Minnesota Wild right wing Carson McMillan, right, and Dallas Stars defenseman Alex Goligoski (33) collide during the first period of an NHL hockey game in St. Paul, Minn., Sunday, April 10, 2011.

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Olympian Carl Lewis announces run for Senate

TRENTON, New Jersey (AP) — Olympic gold medalist Carl Lewis says he'll run again — for New Jersey Senate.

"When I run — as you see from my record — I run to win," the 49-year-old Lewis said outside a historic courthouse in his home county, where he announced his candidacy Monday with his mother and other family

members standing nearby. Lewis said he hopes to inspire people, encourage communities to get together and improve educational opportunities, particularly physical education, for children. He said he'll announce a specific issue-based platform in coming days.

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Olympic gold medalist Carl Lewis gestures while speaking during a news conference to announce his candidacy for the state Senate, Monday, April 11, 2011, in Mount Holly, N.J.

Associated Press

AL Roudup

Red Sox beat Yankees 4-0 to win series

BOSTON (AP) — Josh Beckett allowed two hits in eight shutout innings to help the Boston Red Sox beat the New York Yankees 4-0 in the American League on Sunday to take two out of three games from their rivals in the series. Beckett (1-1) was dropped to fourth in the season-opening rotation but struck out 10 and walked one while retiring the last 14 batters he faced.

The Red Sox returned home after losing their first six games of the season — their worst start since 1945. They ended that streak by beating the Yankees 9-6 on Friday before losing 9-4 on Saturday. Dustin Pedroia reached base all five times he went to bat with three singles, an intentional walk and a force play. Mike Cameron had a run-scoring single, David Ortiz doubled home a run and Marco Scutaro had a two-run double for Boston.

Athletics 5, Twins 3

In Minneapolis, Japanese star Hideki Matsui hit a home



Detroit Tigers first baseman Miguel Cabrera hits a double against the Texas Rangers in the fourth inning of a baseball game in Detroit.
Associated Press

run and Brandon McCarthy pitched into the eighth inning to lead Oakland over Minnesota.

McCarthy (1-0) allowed two runs and nine hits with five strikeouts in 7 1-3 innings for the A's, who took two of three against the Twins.

Justin Morneau had three hits and an RBI and Jim Thome hit his first homer of the season for the Twins.

Scott Baker (0-2) gave up four runs and seven hits in five innings.

Angels 3, Blue Jays 1

In Anaheim, California, Jered Weaver struck out a career-high 15 batters to lift Los Angeles past Toronto.

Weaver allowed four hits in 7 2-3 innings and Peter Bourjos tripled home a pair of unearned runs to help the Angels take two of three in the series. Weaver became the first Angels pitcher with 15 strikeouts in a game since May 23, 1995, when left-hander Chuck Finley fanned 15 Yankees.

Jo Jo Reyes (0-1) gave up

three runs and six hits in seven innings.

Indians 6, Mariners 4

In Seattle, Asdrubal Cabrera hit a solo homer to help surprising Cleveland beat Seattle for its seventh straight win.

Cleveland completed an impressive three-game sweep of the struggling Mariners and is off to a 7-2 start for the first time since beginning the 2002 season 8-1.

Cabrera had three hits off Erik Bedard (0-2), who was making his first home start since July 2009. The left-hander also gave up a homer to Jack Hannahan in the fourth, and doubles to Michael Brantley, Lou Marson and Orlando Cabrera.

Bedard lasted just four innings as Seattle dropped its seventh straight.

Indians starter Josh Tomlin (2-0) allowed three hits and three runs in 6 2-3 strong innings.

Rangers 3, Orioles 0

In Baltimore, Adrian Beltre and Ian Kinsler both homered as Texas topped Baltimore to win its third straight series.

The Rangers took two of three from the Orioles and improved to 8-1, matching the best start in team history.

Derek Holland (2-0) allowed five hits over six innings, striking out six and walking two. Neftali Feliz got four outs for his third save.

Jeremy Guthrie (1-1) allowed one run and four hits in six innings in his first start since opening day.

Royals 9, Tigers 5

At Detroit, Wilson Betemit went 4 for 4 with two doubles as Kansas City beat the mistake-prone Detroit Tigers.

Luke Hochevar (1-1) pitched seven solid innings, and every Royals starter had a hit.

Miguel Cabrera, Jhonny Peralta and Alex Avila all homered for Detroit, but the Tigers made four errors.

Rick Porcello (0-2) allowed five runs on nine hits in five innings.

It was the first four-hit game for Betemit since July 2007.

White Sox 6, Rays 1. □

NL Roundup

Victorino leads Phillies past Braves 3-0

ATLANTA (AP) — Cole Hamels combined with two relievers on a five-hitter and Shane Victorino capped a big series with three hits to lead the Philadelphia Phillies past the Atlanta Braves 3-0 in the National League on Sunday.

Hamels (1-1) gave up four hits with one walk and eight strikeouts in seven innings to beat Derek Lowe (1-2), who allowed seven hits and two runs in seven innings.

Victorino had nine hits in the series with the Braves, including his first homer on Sunday.

Ryan Madson pitched the eighth and Jose Contreras worked a perfect ninth for his second save.

Cardinals 6, Giants 1

At San Francisco, David Freese hit a homer and three RBIs and Kyle Lohse allowed one run in eight innings to help St. Louis end a three-



Philadelphia Phillies' Shane Victorino hits a home run in the sixth inning of a baseball game against the Atlanta Braves
Associated Press

game losing streak.

Matt Holliday scored the go-ahead run and added an RBI single in his first game since having an appendectomy

April 1.

Skip Schumaker added a two-run double to help the Cardinals win for just the third time in nine games this season.

Lohse (1-1) allowed five hits, and Trevor Miller pitched a scoreless ninth.

The Giants failed to complete their first three-game sweep of the Cardinals since 2001.

Diamondbacks 10, Reds 8

In Phoenix, Chris Young hit the decisive three-run homer and Stephen Drew had four hits and three RBIs as Arizona rallied twice to beat Cincinnati.

Drew's RBI single tied it at 7 in the eighth inning before Young drove a 3-2 pitch from Nick Masset (0-2) into the seats to put Arizona ahead for only the second time all day.

The Reds led 5-0 after 2½ innings before Arizona scored five in the fifth off Mike Leake, the last three on Ryan Roberts' homer, to go up 6-5.

Jonny Gomes' two-run homer off Aaron Heilman in the seventh put Cincinnati back on top 7-6. □

Stars miss playoffs after 5-3 loss to Wild

NHL ROUNDUP

ST. PAUL, Minnesota (AP) — Antti Miettinen scored the game-winning goal in the third period as the Minnesota Wild beat the Dallas Stars 5-3 on Sunday, ensuring the Stars would miss the NHL playoffs. Dallas had won their last four games and were in position to grab the eighth and final spot in the Western Conference after the Chicago Blackhawks lost earlier in the day. But Minnesota scored first on a rare goal by enforcer Brad Staubitz and last on an empty-netter by Pierre-Marc Bouchard after the Stars pulled goalie Kari Lehtonen with 1:21 left.

Red Wings 4, Blackhawks 3
In Chicago, Jimmy How-

ard made 33 saves as Detroit beat Chicago, threatening the Blackhawks' playoff chances.

Despite the loss, Chicago secured the eighth and final playoff spot in the West when Dallas lost at Minnesota.

Drew Miller, Danny Cleary, Tomas Holmstrom and Pavel Datsyuk scored for the Red Wings, who had already assured themselves of the No. 3 playoff seed in the West.

Michael Frolik, Brent Seabrook and Duncan Keith had goals for Chicago.

Devils 3, Bruins 2

At Newark, New Jersey, Vladimir Zharkov and Alexander Urbom scored third-period goals as New Jersey topped playoff-bound Boston in Jacques Lemaire's final



Minnesota Wild right wing Carson McMillan, right, and Dallas Stars defenseman Alex Goligoski (33) collide during the first period of an NHL hockey game in St. Paul, Minn. Associated Press

game as Devils coach.

The 66-year-old Lemaire said after the game that he won't

return for another season in New Jersey.

The Hall of Famer, who retired after last season, returned on Dec. 23 after rookie coach John MacLean was fired and helped the Devils make a valiant run at a playoff berth.

Patrik Elias also scored in the game, and Johan Hedberg made 24 saves for the Devils, who missed the postseason for the first time since 1996. Rich Peverley and Chris Kelly each scored, and Tuukka Rask made 29 saves for the Bruins. Penguins 5, Thrashers 2

In Atlanta, Tyler Kennedy scored the first of Pittsburgh's four second-period goals to spark the Penguins' rout of Atlanta. Pascal Dupuis, Michael Rupp and rookie Mark

Letestu added goals to give the Penguins a 4-1 lead 18:14 into the second. Mike Comrie then scored an empty-net goal to make it 5-1.

The Thrashers will miss the playoffs for the 10th time in their 11-year history.

Avalanche 4, Oilers 3

In Denver, David Jones knocked in a rebound during a power play 3:57 into overtime to help Colorado beat Edmonton.

Colorado ended a four-game losing streak, but still finished with the fewest wins (30) since the team moved to Denver from Quebec for the 1995-96 season.

Edmonton finished last in the NHL for the second consecutive season. □

NHL to play regular-season games in Europe again

TORONTO (AP)—The NHL is heading back to Europe.

The league has announced four games next season in Berlin, Stockholm and Helsinki. It marks the fifth straight season the NHL will play regular-season games in Europe.

The Anaheim Ducks and Buffalo Sabres will play Oct. 7 in Helsinki. The New York Rangers and Los Angeles Kings meet in Stockholm.

The Sabres and Kings will play the following day in Berlin, with the Rangers taking on the Ducks in Stockholm.

"It's going to be very exciting," said Swedish goalie Henrik Lundqvist of the Rangers. "To go to Sweden ... that's going to be very special."

The Sabres-Kings game will be the NHL's first regular-

season game in Germany. The Kings also will play an exhibition game in Hamburg on Oct. 4.

The Ducks play an exhibition game Oct. 4 against the Finnish club Jokerit, the former team of Ducks star Teemu Selanne. In fact, the entire Anaheim schedule seems designed to entice Selanne to play another year. □

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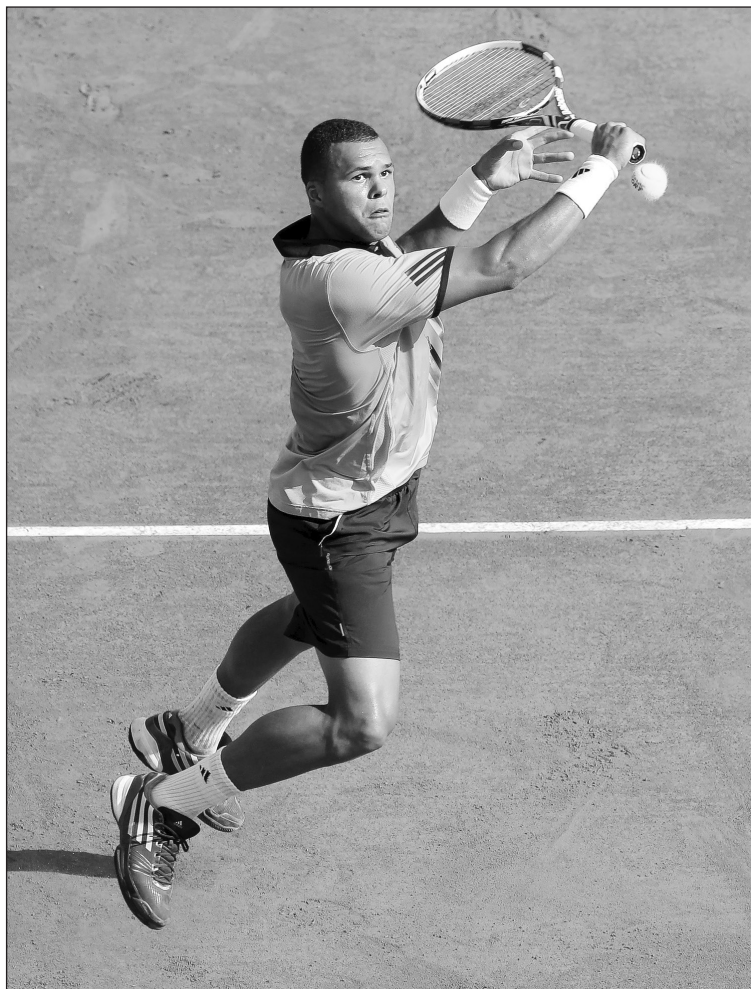
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Tsonga rallies past Monaco at Monte Carlo Masters



Jo Wilfrid Tsonga of France plays a return to Juan Monaco of Argentina during their first round match of the Monte Carlo Tennis Masters tournament in Monaco.

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MONACO (AP) — Former Australian Open finalist Jo-Wilfried Tsonga rallied to beat Juan Monaco of Argentina 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 in the first round of the Monte Carlo Masters on Monday. The 12th-seeded Frenchman is looking for his first title of the year, and he meets former world No. 3 Ivan Ljubicic of Croatia in the second round. Tsonga, who is ranked 17th, was happy with the way he managed to vary his game against Monaco. “I showed a lot of determination, I had a good attitude and I was aggressive,” he said. “I chose some tactics at the beginning. I realized they were not working well, so I managed to change my tactics and play more directly. “I approached the net and tried to mix up my game.” Tsonga recently split with longtime coach Eric Winogradsky, with whom he won five ATP titles and reached the 2008 Australian Open final, rising to No. 6 that year. “(Roger) Federer, when

he stopped having a coach, he still played well,” Tsonga said, adding that he has had several coaching offers recently, without revealing any names. The last of the 25-year-old’s five career titles came at the Japan Open in Tokyo, back in October 2009, when he was with Winogradsky. But he feels he can start winning again by himself. “The important thing is having good results, never mind with whom I’m working or not working,” Tsonga said. “If one day I feel lost on the court, which was not the case today, I might think about it (having a coach) again.” There were also wins for ninth-seeded Nicolas Almagro of Spain, No. 11 Viktor Troicki of Serbia and No. 13 Richard Gasquet of France. Almagro cruised past countryman Marcel Granollers 6-3, 6-3; Troicki beat Jean-Rene Lisnard of Monaco 7-6 (4), 6-1, and Gasquet overcame his early nerves to beat Denis Istomin of Uzbekistan 5-7, 6-3,

6-4. “I started this match very badly. There was a lot of tension. He was quite confident, very tough to play,” said Gasquet, who lost to Rafael Nadal in the 2005 semifinals. “I tried to stay calm, but it was very difficult because we played so many rallies. I stayed for three hours on the court.” Elsewhere, Florian Mayer of Germany beat 10th-seeded Mikhail Youzhny of Russia 6-3, 2-6, 6-3 in an error-strewn match which saw numerous double faults and 13 breaks of serve, with Mayer breaking Youzhny seven times. Mayer faces Frederico Gil of Portugal in the second round after he beat Sergiy Stakhovsky of Ukraine 6-1, 6-3. Spain’s Daniel Gimeno-Traver beat Colombia’s Santiago Giraldo 7-6 (4), 7-5 to set up a meeting with No. 8 Gael Monfils of France, while Radek Stepanek advanced to play No. 4 Andy Murray of Britain after beating former Australian Open finalist Marcos Baghdatis 3-6, 6-1, 7-6 (7). □

Salt Lake wins 3rd straight, beats New England 2-0

FOXBOROUGH, Massachusetts (AP) — Chris Schuler and Paulo Araujo scored either side of halftime as Real Salt Lake beat the New England Revolution 2-0 for their third straight win to start the Major League Soccer season. New England, which finished with nine men, had been unbeaten coming into the game. Schuler, a central defender making his second start, headed in a corner taken by Collen Warner from the left side in the 27th minute. Araujo, a 22-year old Brazilian, took a pass from Warner just inside New England’s half and broke down the right wing, firing in a 12-yard drive past keeper Bobby Shuttleworth in the 47th minute. In other matches, the Seattle Sounders beat the Chicago Fire 2-1, the Philadelphia Union downed New York Red Bull 1-0, D.C. United and the Los Angeles Galaxy drew 1-1, as did the San Jose Earthquakes and Toronto FC, while Chivas USA and the Columbus Crew played out a score-



Real Salt Lake players celebrate after a goal by Chris Schuler, hidden, in the first half of an MLS soccer game against the New England Revolution.

Associated Press

less draw. O’Brian White scored his second goal in two games and set up another to give Seattle its win of the season. Steve Zakuani scored the go-ahead goal in the 25th minute after Diego Chaves leveled it for Chicago. At Chester Pennsylvania, Roger Torres scored within a minute of coming on as a second-half substitute to give the

Union the win. Torres entered the match in the 67th minute and then found himself in perfect position. New York’s Tim Ream passed the ball directly to Philadelphia forward Danny Mwanga, who then took a couple of dribbles and left Torres an easy ball to send into the net. Charlie Davies converted a disputed 90th-minute penalty kick as D.C. United drew at home with the Galaxy. The goal, Davies’ fourth of the year and third from a penalty, came 78 minutes after Mike Magee put the Galaxy ahead with a header off David Beckham’s corner. Davies drew the penalty by falling to the ground inside the 18-yard box after pushing the ball past Omar Gonzalez. Television replays showed Gonzalez stretched his arm and made contact with Davies, but that Davies made the most of it. Toronto’s Alan Gordon and San Jose’s Simon Dawkins both scored for the second consecutive match. □

Carl Lewis

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This is his first bid for elected office. In fact, he said he had registered to vote earlier in the day but said he had been registered previously in California and Texas, two states he has recently lived in. Lewis will run as a Democrat in the 8th legislative district now represented by Republican Dawn Addiego. Lewis won nine Olympic gold medals and is considered among the best track and field athletes of all time. In Los Angeles in 1984, he won gold in the 100 and 200 meters, long jump and 4x100-meter relay. At the 1988 Olympics in Seoul, he triumphed in the 100 meters and long jump. In the 1992 Games in Barcelona, he won the long jump and anchored the U.S. 4x100 relay team that won in world record time. He won his fourth straight Olympic gold in the long jump in 1996 at Atlanta. He is a member of the USA

Track & Field Hall of Fame and was inducted into the New Jersey Hall of Fame last May. Lewis said he understands he’s entering the rough-and-tumble world of New Jersey politics, but said he felt “it’s time to get in the dance.” He joked that he is “slower than I used to be,” but said he was ready to visit all 20 towns in his district. “I’ll be an independent thinker all the way through. I will do what I think is right. I’m going to always look at the issues and vote that way,” Lewis said after the announcement. Lewis has been a civic activist and community volunteer. He ended the news conference so he could get to Willingboro High School, where he has been a volunteer track coach for four years. Monday is the filing deadline for anyone who wants to run for the New Jersey Legislature. All 120 seats of the Senate and Assembly will be on November’s ballot. □

NBA ROUNDUP

LeBron scores 27 as Heat beat Celtics 100-77

MIAMI (AP) — LeBron James scored 27 points and Dwyane Wade added 14 as the Miami Heat moved past the Boston Celtics into second place in the NBA's Eastern Conference with a 100-77 victory on Sunday.

Miami had been 0-3 against the Celtics this season.

Chris Bosh added 13 points and eight rebounds for Miami, which moved a game ahead of Boston for the No. 2 seed in the East heading into the playoffs. Paul Pierce scored 24 points and Kevin Garnett added 21 for Boston, which lost for the 10th time in its last 19 games.

Thunder 120, Lakers 106

In Los Angeles, Kevin Durant scored 31 points and Russell Westbrook added 26 as Oklahoma City sent Los Angeles to its fifth straight loss.

James Harden added 16 points and Serge Ibaka had 15 for the Thunder, who moved a game

behind the Lakers and Dallas with two games remaining in the race for the No. 2 seed in the West. It was the Thunder's fourth straight win and their first against the Lakers on the road in five years.

Kobe Bryant scored 31 points, Pau Gasol added 26 and Andrew Bynum had 12 points and 13 rebounds for the Lakers, who haven't lost this many in a row since 2006-07, when they dropped seven straight.

Bulls 102, Magic 99

In Orlando, Florida, Derrick Rose had 39 points and five assists and Luol Deng added 15 points to help Chicago hold off Orlando.

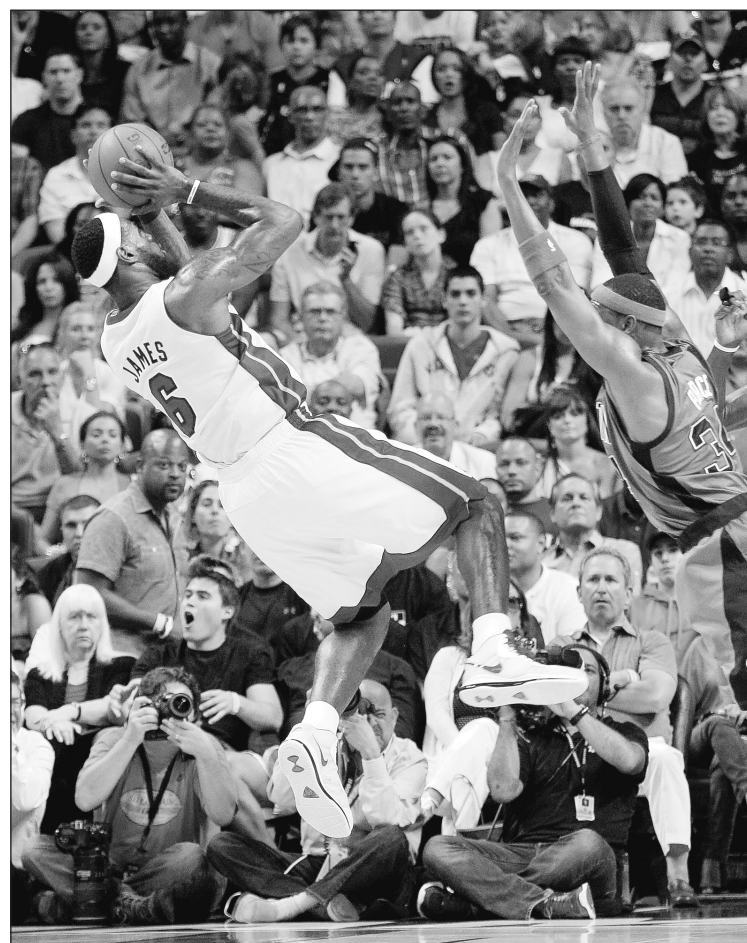
Orlando's Jameer Nelson appeared to tie it with a 3-pointer at the buzzer, but an official review upheld an initial call of no basket. Ryan Anderson led the Magic with a career-high 28 points, Jason Richardson added 24 and Nelson had 17. Chicago won its seventh con-

secutive game and for the 19th time in 21 games. The Bulls also kept alive their chances of finishing with the NBA's best record, which would give them home-court advantage throughout the playoffs.

The Magic were without center Dwight Howard, who was serving his second suspension of the season after picking up his 18th technical foul.

Grizzlies 111, Hornets 89

In Memphis, Tennessee, O.J. Mayo scored 18 points and Marc Gasol added 16 as Memphis continued its march to the postseason by beating New Orleans. Hornets All-Star Chris Paul was held scoreless for the first time in his career, missing all six of his field goal attempts two free throws. Both teams already have clinched spots in the Western Conference playoffs but are now jockeying for seeding position. The victory pulled Memphis even with the



Miami Heat's LeBron James (6) prepares to shoot as Boston Celtics' Paul Pierce, right, defends in the first quarter of an NBA basketball game.

Associated Press

NFL continued from B1

U.S. District Judge Susan Richard Nelson said formal mediation will begin Thursday before U.S. Magistrate Judge Arthur Boylan at his office in the Minneapolis federal courthouse. Boylan will meet with representatives for the players Tuesday, then representatives of the NFL on Wednesday.

The sides tried mediation before, negotiating for 16 days in Washington with Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service director George Cohen. Those talks broke off on March 11, and the old collective bargaining agreement expired. The NFL Players Association dissolved that day, saying it no longer would represent players in bargaining under labor law. That allowed players — including MVP quarterbacks Tom Brady and Peyton Manning — to

file a class-action antitrust suit against the league in federal court here. The owners then locked out the players, creating the NFL's first work stoppage since 1987.

Nelson ordered Monday that both sides keep the mediation confidential.

NFLPA spokesman George Atallah declined comment as did NFL spokesman Greg Aiello. Neither party would divulge who will be attending the session this week.

At a hearing last week about the injunction request, Nelson urged the sides to get "back to the table" and said negotiations should take place at "not the players' table, not the league's table, but a neutral table, if you will."

The next day, the players and owners both expressed a willingness to talk, though



DeMaurice Smith, who was head of the NFL Players Association before it dissolved, listens along with San Diego Chargers player Vincent Jackson outside a federal courthouse after a hearing Wednesday, April 6, 2011, in St Paul, Minn.

Associated Press

they disagreed on where and how they wanted to do it. The players said they were willing to engage in mediation overseen by Nelson. The NFL said it wanted to resume talks with Cohen in Washington. □

Hornets for the seventh spot. The teams split their season series 2-2, but the Hornets own the tiebreaker. Marco Belinelli led the Hornets with 18 points.

Knicks 110, Pacers 109

In Indianapolis, Carmelo Anthony scored 34 points, making the go-ahead jumper with 4.9 seconds left and blocking a potential winning attempt, helping New York beat Indiana for its seventh straight win. Chauncey Billups had 21 points and seven assists, and Toney Douglas scored 14 for the Knicks, who moved a

game ahead of idle Philadelphia for the No. 6 seed in the Eastern Conference playoff race. Knicks forward Amare Stoudemire missed his second straight game with a sprained left ankle.

Danny Granger had 20 points and Roy Hibbert added 19 points and 10 rebounds for Indiana.

Mavericks 115, Suns 90

At Dallas, Dirk Nowitzki had 19 points and Shawn Marion added 18 to lead Dallas over Phoenix, keeping alive hopes of snagging the No. 2 seed in the Western Conference. □

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Bugs emerge to bug us, a few pose health risks

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It's that time of year when the bugs emerge to bug us. Some can pose real threats: Lyme disease from tiny ticks, West Nile virus from mosquitoes, or life-threatening allergic reactions to bee stings. But most bug bites in this country are an itchy nuisance. How itchy or big the welt depends in part on your own skin, how much of the chemical histamine it harbors. Yes, some people really are mosquito magnets. And no, most of the bites people blame on spiders aren't from them at all. In fact, chances are you won't be able to tell the culprit unless you catch it in the act. Yet doctors and entomologists alike field calls asking, "What bit me?" "People call up really bummed out," says spider expert Jonathan Coddington

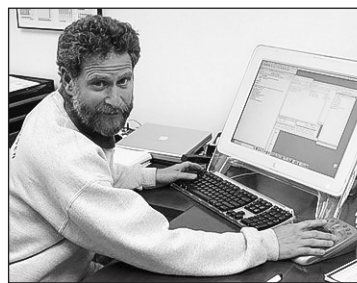


A live Brown Recluse Spider crawls in a dish at the Smithsonian Institution National Museum of Natural History in Washington. It's that time of year when the bugs emerge to bug us

of the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of Natural History, who points to just two worrisome types in the U.S., the black widow and brown recluse family. Spider phobia, he says, is "out of all proportion to actual risk." It's not uncommon to have a large skin reaction to any bite or sting, and Dr. Reid Blackwelder, a family physician from East Tennessee State University, sees a couple of them a week in the early spring and summer. □

In clinical trial

New pill for MS shows promise



Dr. Scott S. Zamvil

By Alan Mozes
Associated Press

CALIFORNIA - A new oral medication for the treatment of multiple sclerosis (MS) shows promise in slowing disease progression, limiting brain atrophy and reducing MS relapses, a recently completed two-year clinical trial demonstrates. The findings concern the experimental drug laquinimod, and stem from

work with over 1,100 MS patients at 139 medical facilities in 24 countries. The study found that to date, the new drug appears to be both safe and well-tolerated. If the experimental medication is eventually approved for use, it would be only the second oral MS drug available to patients, alongside a number of long-standing injectable options. "The injectables aren't going to go away," commented Dr. Scott S. Zamvil, a professor of neurology and faculty member in the program in immunology at the University of California, San Francisco. "We went 17 years with injectables before we got our first oral option, 'Gilenya', just last year. □

People with epilepsy more prone to brain tumors

People with epileptic seizures are much more likely than others to be diagnosed with a brain tumor, a new study indicates.

The findings suggest that epileptic seizures may indicate the presence of a very early-stage tumor or a tumor that hasn't been detected on brain scans, the researchers noted. They looked at data on hospital admissions between 1963 and 2005 and subsequent diagnoses of, or deaths from, brain tumors among those patients.

The analysis revealed that people who had a first-ever hospital admission for epileptic seizure were nearly 20 times more likely to develop a brain tumor than people admitted to the hospital for other reasons.



Woman having a epilepsy attack

Even when the researchers factored in the possibility that brain tumors might have been missed or not recorded in the first year after admission for epilepsy, the risk was still 7.5 to nine times higher for patients with epileptic seizures. The study also found that people with epilepsy were more than 25 times as likely to develop a cancerous brain tumor and more than 10 times as likely to develop a benign tumor than other patients. The greatest risk was in epi-

lepsy patients aged 15-44, who were 24 to 38 times more likely to develop a brain tumor than people of the same age without epilepsy.

The risk of brain tumor persisted for some years after an initial epilepsy-related hospitalization up to a more than sixfold greater risk for as long as 14 years.

Brain tumors are rare, even among those with epilepsy, the researchers noted. The overall risk of a brain tumor in 15-to-44-year-olds, for example, was about 1 percent to 2 percent.

"Our study suggests that tumor as an underlying cause for epilepsy may not become apparent for several years after onset, and indicates a need for ongoing vigilance," the researchers wrote. □

Acne antibiotics not linked to drug resistance

PENNSYLVANIA - Long-term use of antibiotics to treat acne doesn't seem to spur bacteria into becoming resistant to the medications, a new study finds.

The finding came as a bit of a surprise, since widespread use of antibiotics has been credited with encouraging antibiotic resistance in bacteria generally.

Researchers at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine assessed the prevalence of *Staphylococcus aureus* bacteria on 83 patients treated for acne. Some of the patients were using antibiotics while others were not using the drugs.

"While *S. aureus* colonizes the skin, it can also be responsible for localized cutaneous [skin] infections and life-threatening systemic infections," the study authors wrote in a journal news release.

"At one time, it was sensitive to many antibiotics and antimicrobial agents," they said. "However, because of its ability to adapt to these therapies and become resistant, clinical scenarios now exist in which few therapeutic options remain to treat this organism. Therefore, methicillin-resistant *S. aureus* (MRSA) has become commonplace."

The researchers found that 36 of the acne patients were colonized with *S. aureus*. Two of those 36 patients had MRSA; 20 had *S. aureus* solely in their throats; one-quarter had *S. aureus* only in their noses, and seven had it in their noses and throats.

"Long-term use of antibiotics decreased the prevalence of *S. aureus* colonization by nearly 70 percent," the researchers wrote. "A decreased rate of colonization was noted with the use of both oral and topi-



Dr. Doris Day

cal antibiotics." Surprisingly, "fewer than 10 percent of the isolates of *S. aureus* were resistant to tetracyclines, the most commonly used antibiotic family to treat acne," they continued. "Resistance to [the antibiotics] erythromycin and clindamycin was mostly prevalent among our isolates and was noted in the patients who did and did not use antibiotics." □

Airports preparing for biggest version yet of 747

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Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — The biggest version yet of Boeing's iconic 747 could soon be flying into airports that have never seen aircraft that large, raising hackles among some airport neighbors. Medium-size airports in Toledo, Ohio; Rockford, Illinois; and Huntsville, Alabama are among those asking the Federal Aviation Administration for approval to receive the massive 747-8 freighter. Boeing expects to deliver the first planes to customers later this year. The airports are eager to grab a share of the air cargo market, which is growing faster than passenger traffic as the economy recovers. But some residents feel threatened by the big cargo planes currently flying over their homes and doubt Boeing's claims

that the new 747 won't be as noisy. "When the planes come over, you just want to duck," said Mary Rose Evans, president of the Airport Neighbors Alliance in suburban Louisville. Evans said her house is just 500 feet below the flight path of incoming cargo planes. The 747-8 is the biggest airplane Boeing has built, with a wingspan 11 feet wider and a body 18 feet longer than the current 747-400 model. Despite its size, Boeing says the 747-8's engines will be 30 percent quieter. The 747-8 is now in testing. It's in the same new size category as the superjumbo Airbus 380. But while the A380 comes exclusively in a passenger version and flies only out of big international hubs like New York, the 747-8 has attracted the attention of cargo companies that intend to fly

into lesser-known airfields. For airports, cargo is big business. Air freight rose 10 percent between 2009 and 2010, from 20.7 million tons to 22.9 million. Growth in cargo far outstripped passenger service, which rose only 2 percent during the same period, from 767 million travelers to 782 million. Getting approval for the 747-8 could woo more of that traffic, said Paul Toth, chief executive officer of the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority, which operates the Toledo Express Airport. "When it comes to smaller airports, we think this kind of gives us a leg up," said Toth said.

But residents have fought airport expansion in courts in Toledo, Louisville, Indianapolis and other cities. Some worry about the damage a large freighter could cause if it crashes. "Any mention of more planes or larger planes is a concern to us," said Brenda Jay, a resident in suburban Indianapolis. She and other



In this Feb. 8, 2010 file photo, a Boeing 747-8 Freighter taxis for takeoff on its first flight in Everett, Wash. Associated Press

homeowners lost a lawsuit against the city's airport, a major cargo hub, in 2007. Noise control advocates caution that future aircraft designs might be larger and louder. Ted Rueter, director of Noise-Free America, based in Albany, New York, believes the airports in medium-size communities are more concerned about money

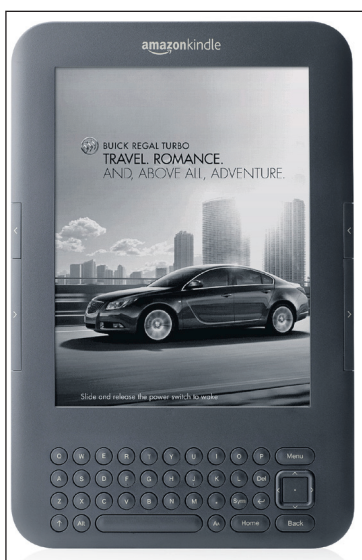
than "protecting citizens and minimizing noise." The new Boeing falls into the largest class of airplane, known in the United States as Airplane Design Group VI. Most U.S. airports cannot legally handle these planes because of FAA space requirements aimed at keeping planes from bumping into each other or airport structures while taxiing. □

Amazon to sell cheaper Kindle with on-screen ads

RACHEL METZ
AP Technology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Amazon.com Inc. is dropping the price on its Kindle e-reader, but the change comes with a trade-off: On-screen ads. The online retailer was set to announce Tuesday that the new Kindle with Special Offers will cost \$114 — \$25 less than the currently lowest-priced Kindle — and include advertisements on the bottom of the device's home page and on its screen savers. Seattle-based Amazon will start shipping the newest Kindle on May 3, and it will also be sold in Target and Best Buy stores on that date.

Amazon has consistently lowered the price of the Kindle since it released the first version of the device at \$399 in 2007, though this is the first time it is doing so while including ads on the e-reader. Kindle director Jay Marine said in an interview Tuesday that the release of a cheaper, ad-studded Kindle is Amazon's way of getting the device into the hands of more people. But it also shows Amazon is



This photo provided by Amazon, shows a Kindle e-reader. Amazon.com Inc. is dropping the price on its Kindle e-reader, but the change comes with a trade-off: On-screen ads. Associated Press

getting more aggressive in its efforts to lure consumers tempted by competing e-readers and bombarded by ads for Apple Inc.'s latest iPad and a growing number of competing tablet computers. Some potential buyers may be turned off by the idea of having ads on an e-reader, but Marine thinks that serving up a number of money-saving offers will be appealing. □

Intel launches chip for tablet computers

JORDAN ROBERTSON
AP Technology Writer

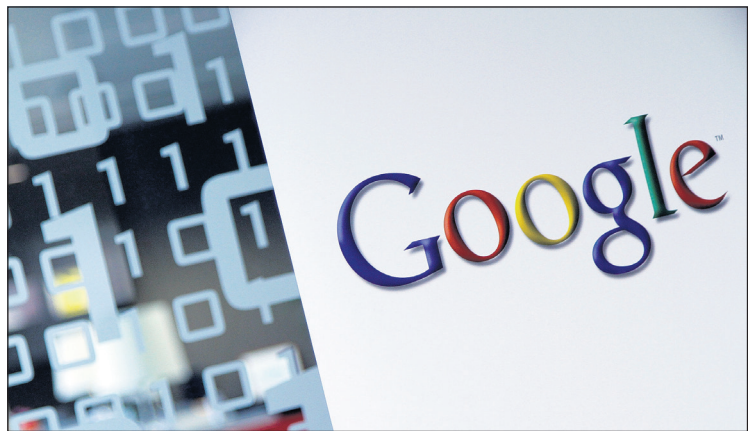
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Intel Corp. has launched a new chip for tablet computers, as the world's most powerful semiconductor company aims to become a contender in the market for mobile chips. Intel's chips are in 80 percent of laptops and desktop PCs, but it's had less success getting its chips into smaller devices such as cellphones and tablets. Known for pushing the processing speeds of its chips to the limit, energy efficiency has now become critical for Intel as gadgets and their batteries get smaller, testing the limits of engineering in a different way. And with more consumers starting to opt to buy tablets instead of upgrading their PCs, Intel is looking to diversify its revenue sources. Intel's chips have been maligned as too

power-hungry for the smallest of mobile devices, a criticism Intel is hoping its new chips address. Intel is trying to elbow in to a mobile market dominated by lower-power processors from companies such as Qualcomm Inc. and Texas Instruments Inc. Apple Inc. designs its own chip for the iPad. Intel also faces a challenge in that mobile chips are generally built around a different chip design, from a company called ARM Holdings Inc., than the so-called x86 design that Intel uses. Intel said Monday that more than 35 tablet and "hybrid" computers are being built on its newest chip, which is part of the Atom family of chips. As for smartphones, Intel says a processor for that market is scheduled for release later this year. Intel, based in Santa Clara, California, has not announced specifications for



A man uses Samsung Electronics' Galaxy Tab at a showroom of the headquarters in Seoul, South Korea, Thursday, April 7, 2011. Associated Press

those chips. Intel has a history of dabbling in, and retreating from, the wireless business, so the company's success in this market is not a foregone conclusion. It sold its mobile-chip business in 2006, then last year bought the wireless-chip division of Germany's Infineon Technologies AG for \$1.4 billion. With that deal, Intel bought its way back in to a booming market. □



In this March 23, 2010 file photo, the Google logo is seen at the Google headquarters in Brussels. Microsoft Corp. on Thursday, March 31, 2011, threw its weight behind an existing probe by European Union authorities into whether rival Google Inc. is unfairly thwarting competition in the online search market.

Associated Press

Microsoft attacks Google over security

JORDAN ROBERTSON
AP Technology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Microsoft Corp. found a new way to lash out at the world's Google Inc. on Monday, extending the hostilities between two of the most prominent corporations in the technology industry. Microsoft claimed Google has been misleading customers about the security certification of its suite of software programs for governments. Microsoft's deputy general counsel, David Howard, blogged on Monday about a newly unsealed court document that shows that "Google Apps for Government" hasn't been certified under the Federal Information Security Management Act. Google's website claims it has, and the company has attested to that in court documents. "It's time for Google to stop telling governments something that is not true," Howard wrote. The documents are part of a Google lawsuit alleging that it was improperly frozen out of competing for a U.S. Department of Interior contract to build a new e-mail system for 85,000 employees — a contract Microsoft won. A judge earlier sided with Google's belief that the bidding was rigged to favor Microsoft, and issued a preliminary injunction with the two sides duke it out. Google insists

"It's time for Google to stop telling governments something that is not true,"

it's not deceiving anyone, since a less-robust version of the product has already been certified under FISMA. "We did not mislead the court or our customers," the company said in a statement, noting that "Google Apps" received

a FISMA clearance in July 2010, and that "Google Apps for Government" is "the same system with enhanced security controls that go beyond FISMA requirements." The documents show that Google is in the process of applying for certification for "Google Apps for Government." □

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Level 3 to acquire Global Crossing for \$2 billion

JOELLE TESSLER
AP Technology Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) —Level 3 Communications Inc. said Monday that it is buying Global Crossing Ltd. for \$2 billion, joining two major long-distance telecommunications networks that carry massive amounts of Internet and other data traffic in the U.S. and internationally. Both Level 3 and Global Crossing operate vast networks of optical fiber used by other telecom carriers, corporations and government agencies. The combined company's reach would extend to 70 countries on three continents. Despite steadily increasing data traffic, the prices Lev-

el 3 and companies like it can charge for carrying that traffic have been driven down by competition, said Erik Kreifeldt, a senior analyst with the research firm TeleGeography. Meanwhile, the carriers have high fixed costs, including the cost to lay fiber-optic cables on the bottom of the ocean. Kreifeldt said the acquisition of Global Crossing will help Level 3 gain scale, enabling it to put more traffic over its networks. It will also let Level 3 expand its geographic reach. Both companies already operate in North America and Europe, but Global Crossing gives Level 3 a strong presence in Latin America and supplements its

networks in Britain — particularly in cities in both markets. In addition, the purchase of Global Crossing brings Level 3 several new businesses, including data center operations and "cloud computing" services, which deliver software, data storage and other services over the Internet. Global Crossing shareholders would receive 16 Level 3 common shares in exchange for each share of Global Crossing common or preferred stock. Global Crossing shareholders would have a 43 percent stake in the new company. Based on Level 3's Friday close at \$1.44 per share, the transaction values Global

Crossing at \$23.04 per share. Global Crossing's shares jumped \$8.66, or 58.5 percent, to \$23.46 in Monday afternoon trading. Level 3 shares rose 16 cents, or 11 percent, to \$1.60. The transaction is expected to close before the end of the year, pending regulatory and shareholder approval. Level 3 would assume \$1.1 billion of Global Crossing's debt. Level 3 is based in Broomfield, Colorado. Global Crossing is based in Bermuda, but its largest shareholder is Singapore Technologies Telemedia, which has approved the deal. ST Telemedia is in turn owned by the investment arm of the Singapore government. □



In this Monday, April 4, 2011 file photo, new vehicles damaged by the March 11 tsunami waters are placed in a Toyota Motor Corp. parking lot at Sendai port, in Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture, northeastern Japan.

Associated Press

the memo that the company is changing exterior colors on some vehicles because of shortages of a chemical produced by

a supplier. Toyota's North American plants are facing a series of one-day shutdowns starting this Friday

because of parts shortages. All 13 of its plants will have some downtime, though the duration may vary at a few. For most, the one-day shutdowns will happen between April 15 and April 25. The temporary shutdowns will affect 25,000 workers, but there will be no layoffs, the company said.

Among the vehicles Toyota makes at its U.S. and Canadian plants are the Camry and Corolla sedans, the Tundra pickup and the Sienna minivan. In Japan, Toyota plans to resume production at all its factories from April 18 through April 27, but only at half their normal volume. The Japanese plants will then shut down through May 10 for an annual holiday break. The Prius hybrid and Yaris subcompact are among the cars the company makes in Japan.

Carter said Toyota now has 300,000 vehicles available in the U.S. Considering that Toyota sold 176,222 cars and trucks in March, the current stockpile

means the company has a little less than two months' supply.

"In summary, what we know is, today we have good levels of inventory, but inventory will be getting tighter," Carter said. Toyota's U.S. sales are off to a strong start in April, he said. Earl Stewart, who owns a Toyota dealership in North Palm Beach, Florida, sold 88 Prius hybrids last month but now has none in stock.

He hopes to find out this week how many more he'll get. "I'm sure it isn't going to be nearly as many as we could sell," he said. Stewart said he has continued taking orders from customers and hopes to fill them in the next few months. Carter said Toyota will be shipping vehicles to North America every two weeks and will stop at six or more ports per voyage. □

Oil falls on Libya, Goldman Sachs demand warning

CHRIS KAHN

AP Energy Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil fell Monday after Libya's Moammar Gadhafi appeared to accept a cease-fire plan with rebel forces, increasing the chances that Libyan crude will return to world markets soon. Crude prices were also pushed down as the IMF cut its forecast for U.S. growth this year and Goldman Sachs warned that consumers in the U.S. are starting to conserve energy in the face of high oil prices.

Benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for May delivery lost \$2.87 to settle at \$109.92 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Earlier in the day, crude rose as high as \$113.46 per barrel, the highest level since September 2008. The drop followed news over the weekend that Gadhafi had accepted a "road map" to a cease-fire from a delegation of African leaders. Although rebel leaders later rejected the truce proposal because it did not include Gadhafi stepping down, traders considered the cease-fire move a sign that oil



Libyan rebels refuel their vehicles from a fuel truck by the western gate of the recaptured town of Ajdabiya, Libya Monday, April 11, 2011.

Associated Press

exports will start again once the fighting stops.

"A cease-fire could ultimately lead to a stable enough environment that could accommodate at least some oil production" in Libya, analyst Jim Ritterbusch said. Before the rebellion broke out, Libya produced about 1.6 million barrels of oil per day and supplied nearly 2 percent of world demand. Most of Libya's oil went to refineries in Europe. Goldman Sachs analyst Jeffrey Currie recommended that investors stop buying a specific oil contract that the

investment bank had previously recommended. Currie said the U.S. appears to have started cutting oil consumption as consumers face higher prices for gasoline and other petroleum-based fuels.

Currie focused on the oil contract for December delivery, but investors will likely take that as a general recommendation to sell, analyst Stephen Schork said. Goldman Sachs is a major player in oil markets and it has been one of the most vocal about the potential for oil to rise this year, Schork said. □

Shareholders seen as next round in battle for NYSE

DAVID K. RANDALL

AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — A battle for control of the New York Stock Exchange moved into dueling appeals to shareholders Monday, a day after a rival bidder complained that its \$11.3 billion bid was rejected without discussion. NYSE Euronext Inc. said Sunday that its board decided to turn down an offer from rival Nasdaq OMX Group Inc. and IntercontinentalExchange Inc. because it was "highly conditional" and would have caused unnecessary risk for shareholders. Instead, the company reaffirmed its plan to combine with German exchange operator Deutsche Boerse AG in a \$10 billion deal. Nasdaq and Intercontinental Exchange Inc. say their bid is "clearly superior." ICE Chairman and CEO Jeffrey Sprecher said in a statement that by declining to meet

with Nasdaq and ICE, the NYSE's board was ignoring its obligation to its stockholders. "I would expect that NYSE Euronext's stockholders will make their displeasure known to the board," he said. As NYSE's annual shareholder meeting on looms on April 28th, the time is narrowing for NYSE executives to convince their investors to stick with the agreed-to bid in the face of a more lucrative offer.

Nasdaq and ICE will continue to meet with NYSE shareholders in an attempt to put pressure on company executives and force a meeting, according to people familiar with the two companies' plans. The structure of the NYSE agreement with the German exchange as a merger, rather than a sale, could give company's board a legal justification to reject a higher offer, analysts say. □



In this file photo taken Aug. 5, 2009, Robert Greifeld, CEO of Nasdaq, speaks at the electronic exchange in New York. Nasdaq and IntercontinentalExchange said late Sunday April 10, 2011, their \$11.3 billion bid for NYSE Euronext was rejected without any talks with the exchanges. Associated Press

HBO gambles on fantasy with 'Game of Thrones'



Sean Bean portrays Lord Eddard 'Ned' Stark in a scene from the HBO series 'Game of Thrones.'

By JILL LAWLESS
Associated Press

LONDON — HBO's new series, "Game of Thrones," has power struggles, family

friction, sibling rivalry and sex plus hairy men on horseback, sword fights and the supernatural.

The show is a departure for the network best known for character-rich dramas like "The Sopranos" and "The Wire." It's a fantasy adventure saga but not your typical fantasy adventure saga. Earthy and explicit, it has been described as fantasy for people who don't like that sort of thing. Executive producer David Benioff has called it "The Sopranos in Middle Earth."

"It's a bit like 'Lord of the Rings' for grown-ups," says Mark Addy, who plays King Robert Baratheon, embattled ruler of the Seven Kingdoms of Westeros. "This is definitely not one that you can watch with your kids."

Adapted from George R.R. Martin's novel series "A Song of Ice and Fire," the series charts the bloody struggle for control of Westeros, a rough-and-tumble land where the seasons last for decades.

The books' many fans are already in a high state of online excitement about the series, but HBO also hopes to attract an audience not usually drawn to sword-and-sorcery stories.

The 10-part series, which debuts Sunday (and on Britain's Sky Atlantic the next day), is set in a world that mixes medieval Europe England's fratricidal Wars of the Roses were one inspiration with elements of chivalric legend and Norse saga. □

Summer movies:

Wizards, pirates, superheroes

By DAVID GERMAIN
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Pirate Jack Sparrow embarks on a new quest. Wizard Harry Potter comes to the end of his saga. And swarms of new superheroes come out swinging.

Add in a third round of giant robots from space, the dawn of a planet of intelligent apes and an alien invasion in the Old West, and Hollywood has one of its most action-packed summers ever in store.

Continuing franchises include Johnny Depp's "Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides"; the battling 'bots sequel "Transformers: Dark of the Moon"; and the prequels "X-Men: First Class" and "Rise of the Planet of the Apes."

New comic-book adaptations join Hollywood's superhero fixation with "Thor," "Green Lantern" and "Captain America: The First Avenger." Harrison Ford and Daniel Craig team up to take on extra-terrestrial raiders in the sci-fi and Western hybrid "Cowboys & Aliens." "Lost" creator J.J. Abrams directs his own E.T.-style adventure with "Super 8," a tale of teen filmmakers whose monster movie turns real after a train wreck unleashes an alien force.



Daniel Radcliffe, left, and Ralph Fiennes are shown in a scene from 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows.'

Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint head back to Hogwarts one last time for the final showdown between good and evil wizards with "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2."

The adaptation of J.K. Rowling's finale to her fantasy series was split into two films, the first leaving off with last fall's cliffhanger involving the death match between Harry (Daniel Radcliffe) and dark Lord Voldemort (Ralph Fiennes).

Radcliffe provides a refresher in case anyone has forgotten where things stand.

"There are two concepts that you have to understand. There are seven Horcruxes that we're tracking down. They're pieces of Voldemort's soul that we're going to kill. I'm looking for them, and there

are the three Deathly Hallows. Voldemort's looking for those, and it's a race to see who can get to which ones first."

Millions of Potter fans already know the answer, but that should not undermine the film's prospects of becoming the top-grossing installment in a franchise that already has taken in \$6.4 billion worldwide.

"Deathly Hallows: Part 2" joins other action franchises that are going the 3-D route for the first time, among them the "Pirates of the Caribbean" and "Transformers" sequels.

"Dark of the Moon" reunites "Transformers" star Shia LaBeouf and director Michael Bay as an event out of Earth's past touches off a new round in the struggle between two warring robot races. □

Wills, Kate on last pre-wedding trip

By MARTIN BENEDYK
Associated Press

BLACKBURN, England — Prince William and fiancée Kate Middleton brought their electric smiles to northwest England on Monday for the last trip in their pre-wedding tour of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Adoring crowds in Blackburn ignored a steady rain and lined up early to get a glimpse of the royal couple, who plan to marry April 29 at Westminster Abbey in London. One of them, Lillian Sleight, braved the weather in her wheelchair, which was decorated with Union Jacks and pictures of the royal couple.



Britain's Prince William accompanied by his fiancée Kate Middleton, arrives at Witton Country Park, Darwen, England.

"I came here early, even though it's pouring with rain, to make sure I get the best chance of seeing William and Kate," she said. "They're a lovely couple and as for William, his mother Diana would have been so proud of

him."

The trip marked Middleton's final introduction to the royal duties that will become a regular part of her life and gave people across the United Kingdom a glimpse of their likely future queen.

Most observers agree the four trips were a big success, with the youthful Middleton showing an adroit touch with Britons from all walks of life. She also won style points for her fashion choices and won people over with her easy smile and relaxed demeanor. William, in a blue suit and dark tie, played the role of proud husband-to-be to near perfection. □

Cameron says

3-D TV must use 2-D talent



Canadian film director James Cameron shakes hands with leader Raoni Txucarramae of the Kaiapo indigenous tribe after he spoke about the construction of the Belo Monte dam along the Xingu River, during the Global Sustainability Forum in Manaus.

By OSKAR GARCIA

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS – “Avatar” director James Cameron said Monday that 3-D productions on television need the know-how of 2-D directors and producers to make economic sense for broadcasters and be compelling for viewers.

The director known for championing 3-D technology told an overflow crowd at the National Association of Broadcasters Show in Las Vegas that 3-D won’t work on TV if production companies can’t utilize the talent they already have.

“People can’t completely reinvent how they do things,” Cameron said.

It costs too much to hire separate crews to produce the same content in 3-D and 2-D, and separate 3-D productions lose the expertise that comes from directors and producers who have filmed for years in 2-D, he said.

“To grow this market rapidly and correctly with high quality 3-D, let people do what they do,” Cameron said.

Cameron said that when he began adopting 3-D technologies into his own filmmaking, he didn’t want to use heavy rigs that would take away his opportunities to shoot handheld or use other techniques.

“I approached that as a director saying, ‘Well, I don’t want to change the way I make movies,’” he said. “I think the language of cinema is what it is, different people have different styles and so on, but I don’t want to be denied my

normal tool set.”

Cameron and his business partner, Vince Pace, spoke to open the show for media and entertainment professionals. NAB officials said 90,000 people are expected to attend the show through Thursday, with some 1,500 companies offering the latest in broadcasting, production and related equipment.

Cameron and Pace announced the formation of their own company on Monday, the Cameron-Pace Group. They described the business as an end-to-end company helping broadcasters work in 3-D.

Cameron said early attempts at 3-D in sports didn’t work as well as they could have because the 3-D and 2-D productions were separated, with the 2-D producers getting better personnel and camera positions.

“They were sort of treated as a red-headed stepchild, and then everybody cried that it was costing them too much because there were two entire crews,” he said.

Instead, there’s going to be one combined 3-D/2-D production, Cameron said.

Pace said viewers have gotten beyond the prettiness of 3-D and need the technology to take a back seat to the creative elements, brought by traditional directors and producers, that make entertainment work.

“What they’re bringing to the table is the whole foundation of the whole presentation, the whole basis of the entertainment,” he said. □

Philippines TV show pulled over crying boy’s dance

By TERESA CEROJANO

Associated Press

MANILA, Philippines – The Philippines’ most popular TV game show was pulled off the air Monday amid a public uproar over the host letting a crying 6-year-old boy mimic a striptease dancer.

“Willing Willie” host Willie Revillame said he was taking two weeks of leave after which he will announce if he’ll return to television.

Angry viewers and commentators have launched a campaign on social-networking sites to remove Revillame from the show, which offers cash prizes for singing, dancing, storytelling and playing games. They say Revillame showed poor taste and mocked his mostly impoverished viewers by allowing the crying boy to gyrate as a striptease dancer.

The young contestant, accompanied on the show by an aunt, earned 10,000 pesos for his dance. Revillame and others applauded as the boy performed. He appeared to have been crying because Revillame called a huge basketball player to the stage to watch as the boy danced.

The outcry led major sponsors to pull out, including Procter & Gamble Co., Del Monte Pacific Ltd., Unilever and



Journalism students and activists display a wooden cross and placards as they picket the office of the broadcasters’ association in the Philippines, the KBP at the financial district of Makati city, south of Manila, Philippines.

Philippine fast-food giant Jollibee Foods Corp. The March 12 episode also has prompted soul-searching discussions about the quality of TV entertainment in the Philippines.

TV5 network said it wants to improve the program and work with television and advertising industry stakeholders on guidelines for the participation of children in all game and reality TV shows.

Philippine-born theater actress Monique Wilson, in a widely circulated email carried by local media, argued that such TV shows “dumb down audiences and disempower them by creating a mendicant so-

ciety with game shows that promise ‘quick money.’”

Social Welfare Secretary Corazon Soliman last month condemned “the emotional abuse and humiliation” the boy suffered and said the program violated a law against child abuse. It was not clear if Revillame and TV5 will face charges. The Commission on Human Rights and the Movie and Television Review and Classification Board said they were investigating.

Revillame has apologized but also says his former network and competitor ABS-CBN television is trying to destroy his career. □

In Russia

Young designers forgotten and underfunded

By Nastassia Astrasheuskaya

Associated Press

MOSCOW – Underfunded and lacking encouragement, Russia’s young designers say they are struggling to break into the country’s fashion circles, which are still ruled by Soviet-era big wigs. “Fabrics are unavailable, we get minimal material to work with and young designers don’t have money,” said Aminat Kaaeva, a 26-year old native of Russia’s troubled Chechnya region.

At a recent fashion show in Moscow, Kaaeva showed off ankle-length dresses inspired by Middle Eastern designs as part of a show dedicated to eight young designers.

“It’s no surprise that the level of our fashion weeks is below the European bar,” she told Reuters. The young designers’ show was one of almost 50 at the fashion week.

Though Russia has access to Western fabrics, ideas and inspiration made available since the fall of the Soviet Union 20 years ago, its gurus lament a stagnant industry which limps behind its European counterparts such as Milan or



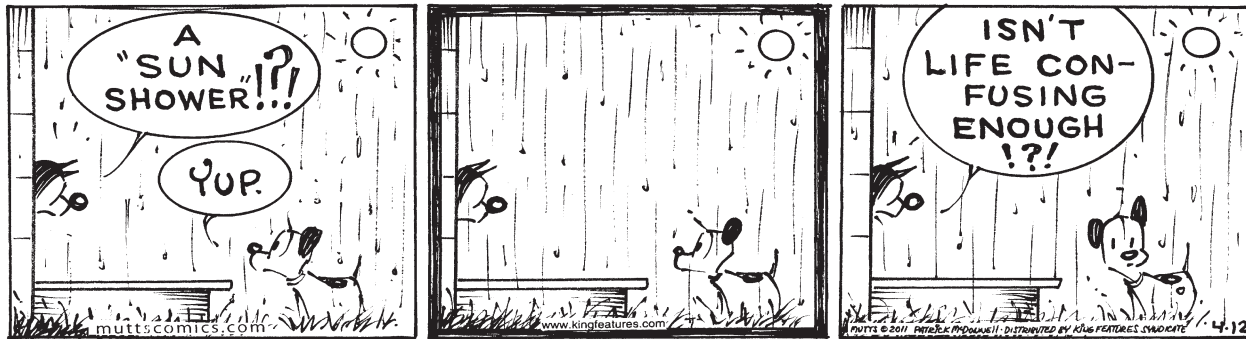
Models present creations by Russian designer Maria Rybalchenko.

Paris.

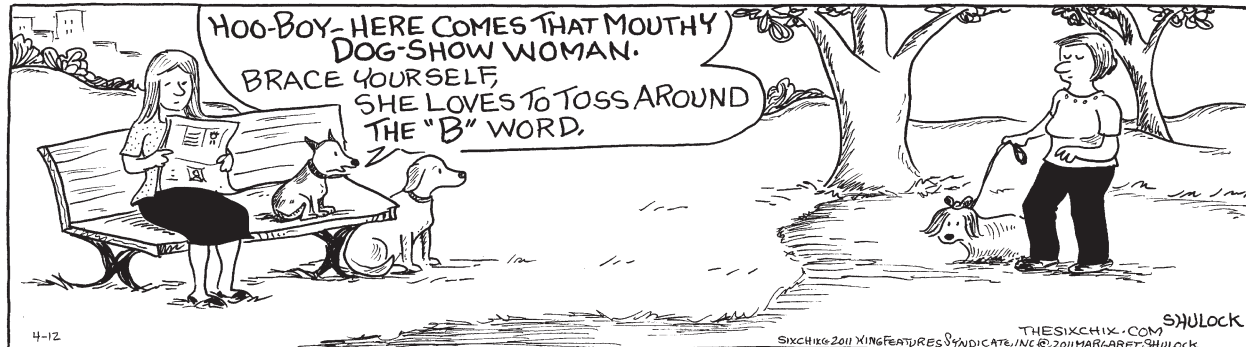
Top designers like Slava Zaitsev, a 73-year-old Soviet icon, have complained that the government does not give enough funding to new designers, especially to the young. However some purposely avoid the lure of the West, despite scholarships and more promising audiences.

Female designer-duo Moscow students Anastasiya Seregina and Tatiana Reznik have taken inspiration from Russia for their latest collection of winter sportswear. □

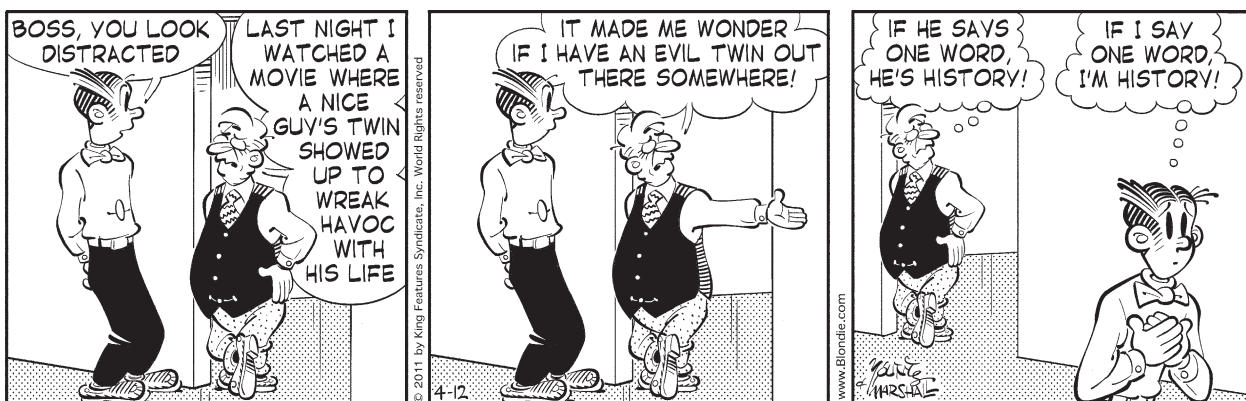
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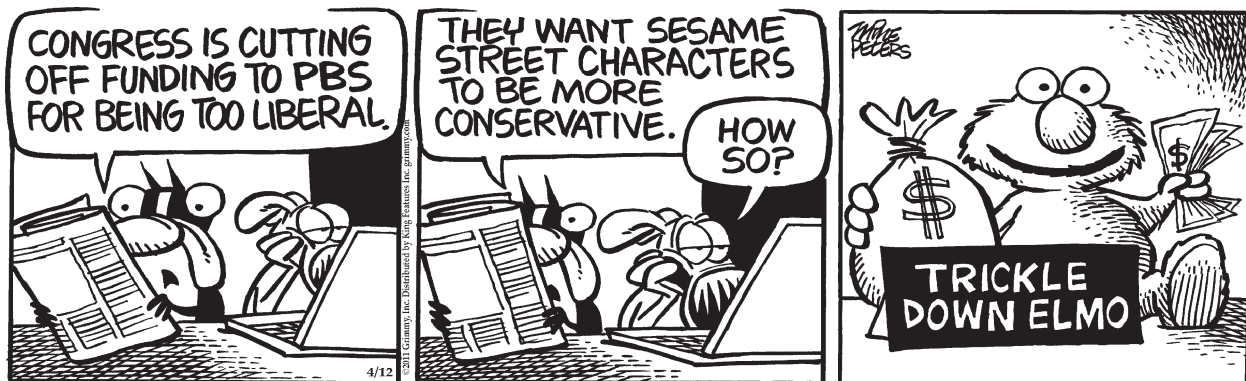
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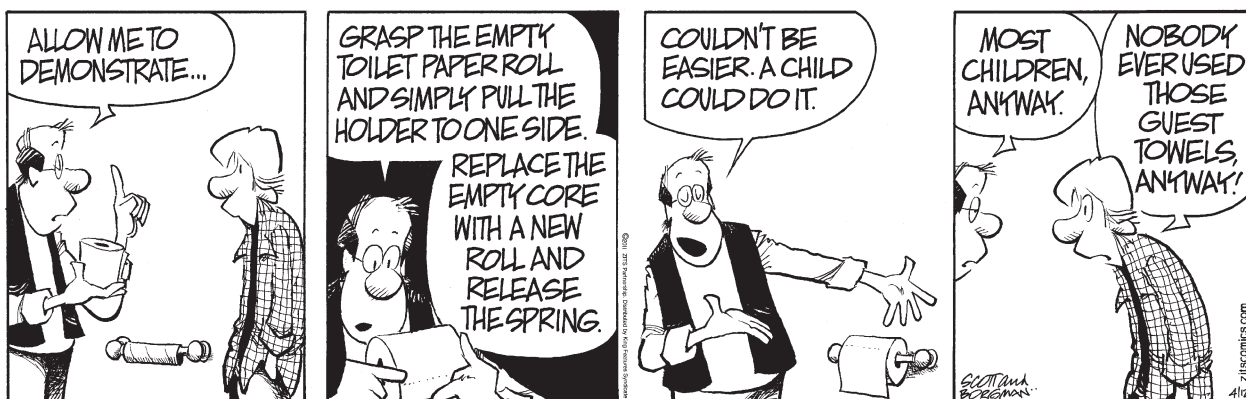
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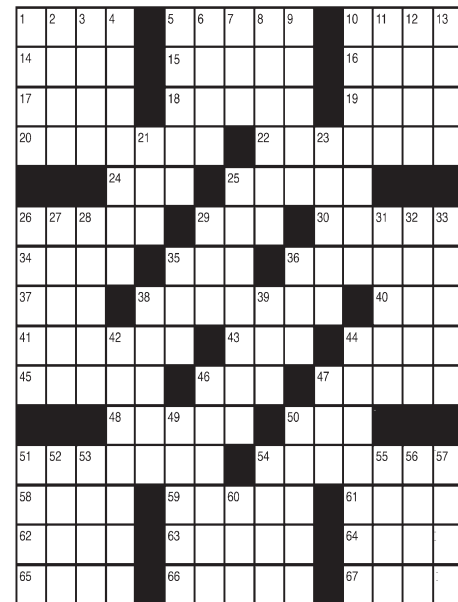
Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Yesterday's puzzle answer

9	1	5	6	3	2	8	7	4
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4	9	1	3	6	8	2	5	7
2	7	3	1	4	5	6	8	9
5	6	8	7	2	9	4	1	3
1	3	9	2	7	6	5	4	8
7	2	6	5	8	4	9	3	1
8	5	4	9	1	3	7	2	6

ACROSS

- Impolite
- Long hard look
- Wimp
- Golf tournament
- Worn out
- Perched upon
- Wild hog
- Mr. Philbin
- Tibetan monk
- Intertwined
- Not the one & not the other
- Republican Party, for short
- ___ of the ball; pretty woman
- Nerd
- Tiny amount
- Actor Jeremy
- Major conflicts
- Pointed hole-making tool
- The Padres' "San Diego Chicken," e.g.
- Tumult
- Remained on the surface of the water
- Pigeon's sound
- Baggage porter
- Present time
- Elephant tooth
- Weirdo
- Highest card
- ___-ring circus; state of chaos
- Josh with
- Hurry
- Worst rival
- Found
- Reason to bathe
- Cavalry sword
- ___ off; left suddenly
- Make eyes at
- Detroit team
- Collection from the henhouse
- Requirement
- Gladden
- Chess piece



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Monday's Puzzle Solved

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DOWN

- Caftan, for one

- Put-___; taken advantage of
- Good buy
- Makes furious
- ___ throat; inflammatory condition
- Connected
- Buenos Aires' nation: abbr.
- Controlled a horse
- Ford failure
- Barbara of TV
- Provo's state
- Partial amount
- Shadowbox
- Ear of corn
- Epic by Homer
- Equilibrium
- Sneezy or Doc
- Ibis or heron
- Wear away
- Pair
- Take place
- Part of a lasso
- Feed a fire
- Mont Blanc or the Matterhorn
- Kitten's cry
- Phonies
- Foot digit
- Provided food for a wedding
- Cinema
- Attack violently
- Facial twitch
- Passageway
- Steed
- Middy
- Margin
- Beauty spot
- Pre-Easter time
- African nation
- Therefore
- Office table
- Feathery scarf

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Wk 8 \$12,000 1BR Pool*
Wk 9 \$8,500 1BR Garden*
Wk 9 \$12,000 1BR Pool*
Wk 10, \$6,500 1BR Garden
Wk 10, \$9,000 1BR Pool*
Wk 14, \$13,000 2BR Pool*
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Green auction earns \$2.4 million for environment

NEW YORK – A green auction of fine art, celebrity experiences, luxury travel and high fashion took in a total of \$2.4 million (1.47 million pounds) to benefit the environment. Organizers said the Green Auction: Bid to Save the Earth held for a second year in March and April, raised \$1.4 million at a live auction at Christie's and more than \$750,000 from an online auction, led by a three-night private yacht cruise in Cannes which sold for \$100,000. Cash donations from corporate sponsors as well as \$10 donations via text message, added

to the total, while sales from the Runway to Green pro-environment fashion initiative and collection will generate further proceeds.

Four environmental nonprofits will benefit from the auction -- Conservation International, Oceana, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and The Central Park Conservancy.

Oceana board member Susan Rockefeller, one of the auction's co-hosts along with husband David Rockefeller Jr., praised the event for its ingenuity and creativity. □

Applebee's major mixed-drink mixup

CHICAGO – The company that owns the Applebee's restaurant chain said on Monday it was immediately retraining its workers nationwide after a server at a suburban Detroit location accidentally served alcohol to a toddler. The company, California-based DineEquity Inc, said it would also change the way it serves juice to youngsters to eliminate the chance of any mixups that could result in any more toddlers receiving mixed drinks. On Friday, Taylor Dill-Re-

ese went to an Applebee's in Madison Heights, Michigan, where -- among other things -- she ordered her 15-month-old son Dominick an apple juice. What the little boy apparently got instead was a margarita. His mom told WDIV-TV that she only realized something was wrong when Dominick "kind of laid his head on the table and dozed off a little bit and woke up and got real happy." The little boy reportedly began hailing strangers, too. Applebee's released a statement on Monday saying it

was relieved that Dominick was "not seriously injured as a result of accidentally receiving the wrong beverage" and apologizing to his family "for the stress and worry this caused them." It said it would begin to serve apple juice to children only from single-serve containers at the table and would "retrain all servers on our beverage pouring policy, emphasizing that non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages must be stored in completely separate and identified containers." □

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Interpol: 21 detenidos en operación lanzada en Sudamérica

ESTADOS UNIDOS (AP)- Interpol anunció el lunes que ha capturado o localizado a una veintena de delincuentes desde que a mediados de marzo lanzó una gigantesca operación en América del Sur para atrapar a 203 prófugos de distintas nacionalidades que son buscados por graves delitos como narcotráfico, pedofilia y asesinato, entre otros. La operación INFRA-SA (redadas contra prófugos a es-

cala internacional América del Sur) comenzó el 14 de marzo y ha conducido ya a la detención o localización de 21 personas, dijo la organización en un comunicado difundido desde su oficina regional de Buenos Aires. Interpol dijo que 34 países colaboran en la iniciativa, entre ellos diez sudamericanos. Entre los prófugos detenidos, Interpol destacó al holandés Patrick Van Den Berg, acusa-

do de los asesinatos de su esposa e hijo de seis meses en Bolivia en 2008 y de otra mujer en Chile. Fue arrestado el pasado 29 de marzo en Perú. También mencionó a las hermanas cubanas Clara y Caridad Guilarte, detenidas en marzo en Colombia por los delitos de estafa y blanqueo de capitales en Estados Unidos. La operación INFRA-SA tiene su centro de mando y coordi-

nación en Buenos Aires.

“Esta iniciativa, coordinada por la Unidad de Apoyo a las Investigaciones sobre Prófu- gos, reunió en su fase inicial a investigadores de los países participantes que se intercambiaron directamente entre sí información sobre sospechosos que muy probablemente se encuentran en América del Sur, muchos de ellos huidos desde hace largos años”, de-

talló Interpol.

Participan de la operación: Albania, Alemania, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belarús, Bélgica, Bolivia, Brasil, Canadá, Chile, Colombia, Croacia, Dinamarca, Ecuador, Egipto, España, Estados Unidos, Finlandia, Francia, Grecia, Indonesia, Irlanda, Italia, Países Bajos, Paraguay, Perú, Polonia, República Checa, Rumania, Rusia, Ucrania, Uruguay y Venezuela. □



Humala y Fujimori por la presidencia de Perú

LIMA - El izquierdista Ollanta Humala ganó la primera vuelta de la elección presidencial de Perú pero sin evitar un balotaje que lo enfrentará con una legisladora liberal e hija del ex mandatario preso Alberto Fujimori, en una carrera para la cual es difícil hacer apuestas. Los datos oficiales con poco más del 83 por ciento de los votos escrutados confirmaron el lunes que el nacionalista y la joven legisladora amiga del libre mercado Keiko Fujimori se medirán en segunda vuelta y, desde ya, ambos

El candidato presidencial Ollanta Humala le habla a sus simpatizantes desde el balcón de su sede principal en Lima, Perú, después de las elecciones generales del domingo. Humala se medirá en una segunda y definitiva vuelta por la presidencia de su país, con la candidata Keiko Fujimori, el próximo 5 de junio. (AP Photo/Martin Mejia)

comenzaron a sumar fuerzas para atraer a los que apoyaron a sus otros rivales. Humala, quien asusta a los mercados financieros pero cosechó el apoyo de los peruanos sumidos en la pobreza que no han gozado de los frutos de la boyante economía, obtenía un 30,97 por ciento de los votos con el 83,5 por ciento de los votos escrutados. Fujimori, de 35 años, cuyo padre fue condenado a 25 años de prisión por abusos a los derechos humanos, tenía un 23,17 por ciento, con una diferencia difícil de revertir de 3,5 puntos porcentuales frente al ex ministro de Economía Pedro Pablo Kuczynski, permitiéndole a ella continuar en la carrera. El resultado parcial oficial coincide con los conteos rápidos de las principales encuestadoras, en los que Fujimori se perfiló como la contrincante de Humala en el balotaje del 5 de junio, pues ningún aspirante obtuvo el 50 por ciento de los votos. □

Rey Juan Carlos respalda a Colombia

ESPAÑA (AP) - El rey Juan Carlos expresó ayer al presidente de Colombia, Juan Manuel Santos, el respaldo de España a su país en la lucha contra el “execrable terrorismo así como el abominable crimen del secuestro”.

Los reyes de España, Juan Carlos y Sofía, ofrecieron al mediodía en el Palacio Real un almuerzo en honor del presidente colombiano y su esposa, María Clemencia Rodríguez de Santos, que ayer comenzaron su primera visita oficial a España.

En esta foto el rey Juan Carlos, a la derecha, conversa con el presidente de Colombia, Juan Manuel Santos, a las afueras del palacio de la Zarzuela, ayer lunes 11 de abril, 2011. (AP Photo/Arturo Rodriguez) □





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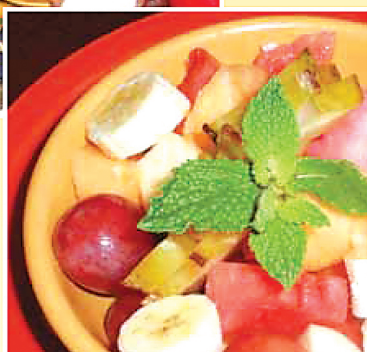
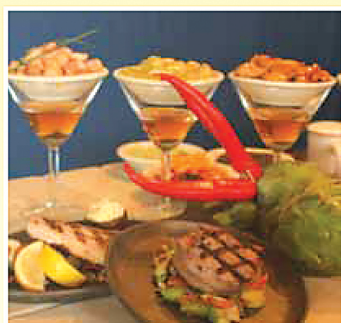


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